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Abstract

Bacteroides fragilis is the most common anaerobe isolated from clinical infections and in this report we demonstrate a novel feature of the species that is critical to their success as an opportunistic pathogen. Among the *Bacteroides spp.* in the gut, *B. fragilis* has a unique ability to efficiently harvest complex N-linked glycans from the glycoproteins common to serum and serous fluid. This activity is mediated by a Sus-like outer membrane protein complex designated as Don. Using the abundant serum glycoprotein transferrin as a model it was shown that *B. fragilis* alone can rapidly and efficiently deglycosylate this protein *in vitro* and that transferrin glycans can provide the sole source of carbon and energy for growth in defined media. We then showed that transferrin deglycosylation occurs *in vivo* when *B. fragilis* is propagated in the rat tissue cage model of extraintestinal growth and that this ability provides a competitive advantage *in vivo* over strains lacking the *don* locus. Thus, Don functionally is an extraintestinal growth factor that may contribute to *B. fragilis* opportunistic infection.

The regulation of *don* expression is controlled by two independent pathways. The first one was shown to be a typical ECF sigma/anti-sigma factor switch, commonly found in Sus-like Polysaccharide Utilization Loci (PULs), which responds to the presence of specific substrate. In

the ECF sigma factor deletion mutant, $\Delta donA$, expression of the *don* PUL was completely abolished in the presence of substrate glycans, while the cognate anti-sigma deletion strain, $\Delta donB$, expressed the *don* genes even in the absence of substrate glycans. The *donA* overexpressing strain highly expressed the *don* PUL regardless of the substrate glycan presence. The second regulatory pathway is involved with a *cis*-encoded antisense sRNA which is associated within the *don* locus, DonS. DonS was shown to negatively regulate *don* expression. In contrast, expression of the *don* genes was induced two- to six-fold in the *donS* silencing mutant and highly repressed in the *donS* overexpressing strain. Notably, this sRNA controlled regulatory pathway is not commonly found associated with *B. fragilis* PULs. Only 14 of more than 50 PULs in *B. fragilis* possess DonS-like sRNAs, but at the present time their roles in commensal colonization and opportunistic infections is not understood.

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CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

This dissertation mainly focuses on the study of a Sus-like polysaccharide utilization locus (PUL) in *Bacteroides fragilis*, named *don*. The impetus for studying this locus was derived from the fact that in the rat artificial abscess model, its expression was the most up-regulated in the *B. fragilis* transcriptome compared to *in vitro* growth. This indicates that the *don* locus may play a role in adaption to extraintestinal environments. Also, in an analysis of the *B. fragilis* primary transcriptome using RNA deep sequencing, a novel feature was observed of *cis*-encoded small RNAs associated with 14 PULs in *B. fragilis*, including *don*. Thus, the major objectives of this dissertation research were: first, characterize the role of *don* in colonization of extraintestinal sites (chapter 2); second, elucidate the role of sRNAs in the regulation of the Sus-like systems in *B. fragilis*, using the *don* locus as a model (chapter 4). Also included in this dissertation is a brief description of the *B. fragilis* primary transcriptome analysis since it led to the initial discovery of the sRNAs involved in the PUL regulation (chapter 3). This chapter (chapter 1) is a general review on the current understanding of *Bacteroides* physiology and metabolism as it relates to virulence factors and the Sus-like polysaccharides utilization systems.

1.1 *Bacteroides* taxonomy, structure, physiology and metabolism

The genus *Bacteroides* are Gram-negative, obligate anaerobic bacteria commonly found in the gastro-intestinal tract (GI-tract) of humans and animals as members of the normal

microflora (1). The type species of *Bacteroides* is *B. fragilis*, so sometimes the genus is referred to as the *Bacteroides fragilis* group. This genus falls within the family *Bacteroidaceae* of the order *Bacteroidales* of the phylum *Bacteroidetes*. Together with the closely related genera *Porphyromonas* and *Prevotella*, they make up a major subgroup of the *Cytophaga-Flavobacter-Bacteroides* group which diverged from the primary eubacterial phylogenic lineage very early in evolution (2) and consequently are not closely related to the Gram-negative *Proteobacteria* which are more commonly studied.

All *Bacteroides* are non-motile, non-spore formers with relatively large genomes ranging in size from 4.4 to 6.7 Mb and relatively low in GC content ranging from 39% to 48% (1). The cell morphology is short rods and the doubling time under optimal growth conditions is approximately 45 minutes. *Bacteroides* have capsules which are important for their colonization in the distal gut (3). *B. fragilis* has eight different capsule polysaccharide encoding loci on its genome which are different in size, composition and staining character. Coexpression of two capsule polysaccharides is commonly observed (4-6). On the cell surface, *Bacteroides* possess pilli- or fimbriae-like structures that serve for attachment (1). Under transmission electron microscopy, numerous blebs on the cell surface and detached extracellular vesicles can be observed (7). These vesicles have been shown to have hemagglutinin function and contain sialidase activity (8, 9). The lipopolysaccharide (LPS) of *Bacteroides* is different from the canonical LPS structure represented by *E. coli* LPS. The lipid A in *Bacteroides* LPS is penta-acylated and monophosphorylated and the fatty acids chains are branched, 15 to 17 units long in contrast to the unbranched 12 or 14 unit length of canonical LPS (10). This structure probably is responsible for its low toxicity compared to the LPS of other Gram-negative bacteria (1).

Bacteroides also have a rare O-glycosylation system which enables them to synthesize fucosylated glycoproteins (11). The model for this general O-glycosylation proposes that the glycan chain is assembled on a lipid carrier on the inner side of the cytoplasmic membrane by the sequential action of glycosyltransferases, then the glycan is flipped to the periplasmic space and glycosylation of the target protein happens there. The fucosylated O-linked glycoproteins then are inserted into the outer membrane surface and play a role in the colonization in the gut (12).

Bacteroides are saccharolytic organisms that primarily use carbohydrates as their carbon/energy source (1). They can express a large number of outer membrane protein complexes for polysaccharide transport and utilization (13). An in-depth review of these outer membrane complexes in *Bacteroides* will be given later in this chapter. Once the polysaccharides have been hydrolyzed to their monosaccharide units, further carbohydrate catabolism proceeds through the Embden-Meyerhof pathway followed by a split TCA cycle composed of two opposing half-cycles termed the oxidative branch and the reductive branch (1, 14). A simplified schematic diagram of this split TCA cycle is shown in Fig. 1.1. Anaerobic respiration makes use of the reductive branch of the TCA cycle with fumarate as the terminal electron receptor, reduced to succinate mediated by a membrane-bound fumarate reductase (1). Interestingly, *Bacteroides* also possess a cytochrome bd oxidase which allows them to use oxygen as a terminal receptor when oxygen is at nanomolar levels (15). Under nanomolar oxygen levels (60 nM to 1000 nM), the growth benefit of this cytochrome bd oxidase can be seen when respiration with fumarate is disrupted by deletion of the fumarate reductase (15).

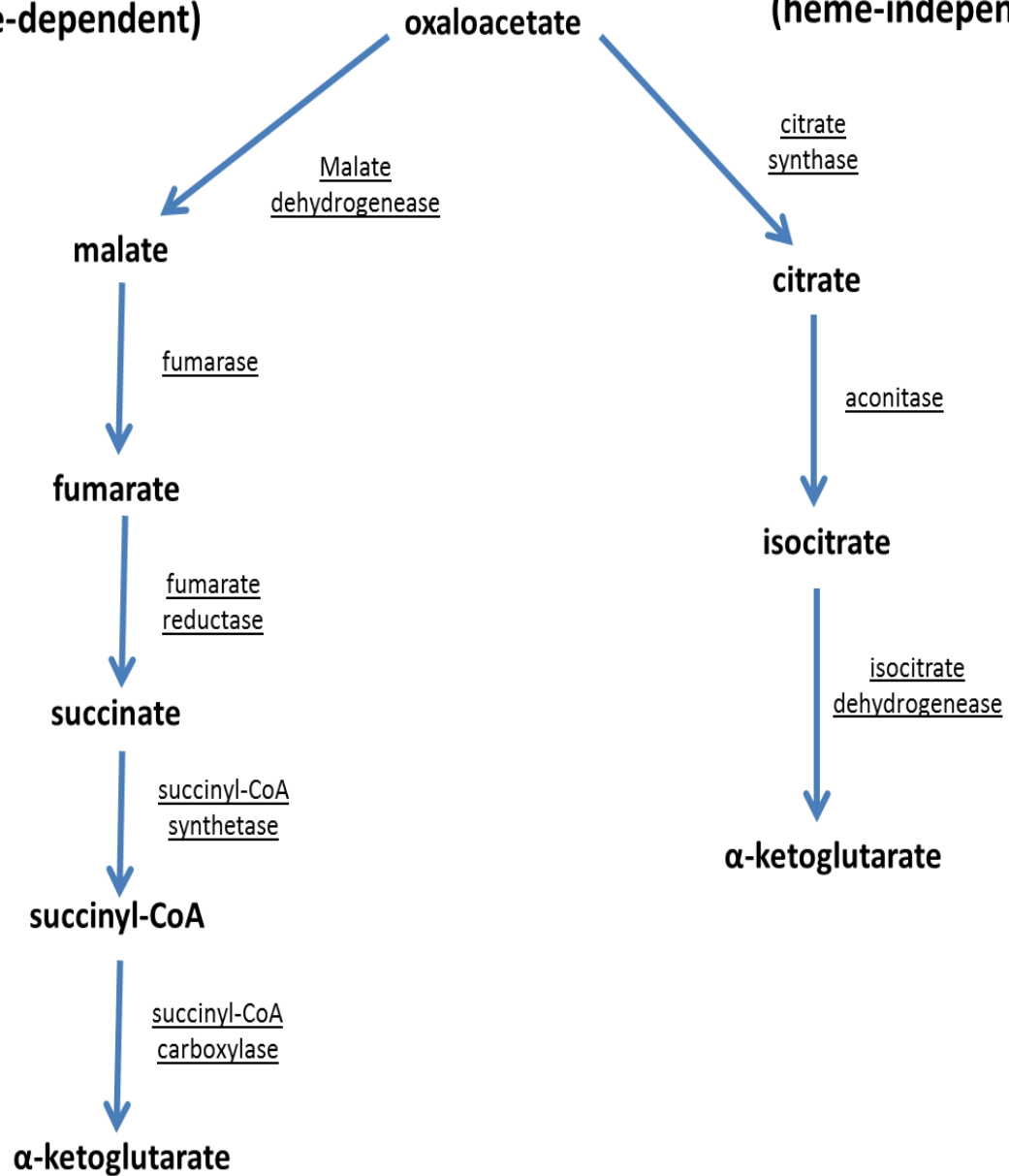
However, as obligate anaerobes, *Bacteroides* cannot grow with oxygen levels close or above 2 μM (15).

Heme is important for *Bacteroides* metabolism during normal growth. However *Bacteroides* cannot synthesize heme *de novo* and it must be obtained from the environment (1). When grown in the absence of heme, their metabolism shifts from anaerobic respiration to strictly fermentation since heme is required as a cofactor by two critical components of the electron transport chains, fumarate reductase and cytochrome bd oxidase (1). Under these conditions, fumarate and lactate will accumulate as the metabolic byproducts instead of the short chain fatty acids succinate and propionate (1). During anaerobic respiration, fumarate is constantly consumed as the final electron receptor and reduced to succinate. The large demand for fumarate is provided by carboxylation of phosphoenolpyruvate to oxaloacetate, and then by enzymes of the reductive branch of the TCA cycle (1, 14). Carbon dioxide is required for the *Bacteroides* anaerobic respiration since it is the substrate for the carboxykinase to catalyze the carboxylation of phosphoenolpyruvate.

Fig. 1.1. A schematic diagram of two opposing half-cycles of the split TCA cycle in *B. fragilis* (14).

**Reductive branch
(heme-dependent)**

**Oxidative branch
(heme-independent)**



As saccharolytic bacteria, *Bacteroides* cannot use proteins or peptides as the sole carbon/energy source but they can use them as the sole nitrogen source, although ammonia is the more preferred nitrogen source (1). Ammonia assimilation in *Bacteroides* is primarily through incorporation of ammonia into α -ketoglutarate to form glutamate catalyzed by glutamate dehydrogenase (1). Glutamate serves as an amino group donor for the synthesis of other amino acids. α -ketoglutarate biosynthesis is achieved through the reductive branch of the split TCA cycle in the presence of heme, alternatively, the oxidative branch in the absence of heme (14) (Fig. 1.1). The *Bacteroides*, with the possible exception of *B. ovatus*, synthesize all of their amino acids *de novo* (1).

1.2 The mutualistic relationship between *Bacteroides* and their hosts

The human distal gut is one of the most densely populated microbial ecosystems on earth, exceeding numbers of 10^{11} per gram of wet weight, and *Bacteroides* is one of the predominant species making up to 25% of the total microbial population in this ecological niche (1, 7, 16). A strong mutualistic relationship between the *Bacteroides* and their hosts has developed over the course of coevolution (16, 17).

The human large intestine provides an ideal space for the *Bacteroides* to thrive: sufficient moisture; highly reducing environment with oxygen levels less than 1.5%; carbon dioxide levels of 5% - 10%; adequate amount of ammonia, heme and vitamin B₁₂; and most importantly a stable source of carbon/energy from the constant influx of polysaccharides from indigestible material in the diet and host mucosal secretions (18-21). The host diet plays an

important role in shaping the gut microflora composition including the *Bacteroides* species (18-20, 22).

In return for the food and shelter, *Bacteroides* provide multiple benefits to their host. The breakdown and conversion of the indigestible dietary fiber to short chain fatty acids by the *Bacteroides* provides the host an additional nutrition source which can meet up to 10% of the human energy requirement (1, 7, 23). *Bacteroides* also play important roles in the development of the host GI tract: their presence greatly increases the volume, surface area of and villi numbers in the GI tract (1). They participate in the development of gut associated lymphatic tissue (GALT) and gut angiogenesis (24). They prevent the attachment and colonization of pathogenic bacteria by occupying the mucosal surface of the gut to form a protective barrier. *B. thetaiotaomicron* can also help prevent infection by Gram-positive species by promoting induction of a host cell secreted bactericidal lectin named RegIII γ , which can directly bind to the peptidoglycan and result in bacterial killing (25). *B. thetaiotaomicron* also stimulates the production of a certain type of immune cell in the gut crypts called Paneth cells which secrete an antimicrobial substance to kill specific pathogens such as *Listeria monocytogenes* (26). *B. fragilis* in the gut can help the host develop a healthy immune response and prevent allergies (27). This is mediated in part by the capsule polysaccharide, polysaccharide A (PSA), which is a zwitterion, unlike most other capsule polysaccharides which are only negatively charged. PSA can bind to major histocompatibility complex II molecules in the professional antigen presenting cells and be presented to the T cells. It has been shown that PSA can prevent inflammation by triggering the IL-10 mediated anti-inflammatory response at the same time repressing the Th17 mediated pro-inflammatory response (28, 29). It also can correct the CD4+

cell deficiency and establish Th1/Th2 balance in the gut (28, 29). The beneficial effect of PSA immunomodulatory properties even can be seen in the brain. A recent study using a mouse model shows that a subset of neurodevelopmental disorders, including autism spectrum disorder (ASD), could be due to dysbiosis of the gut microbiota and GI barrier impairment. Harmful bacterial metabolites, for example 4-ethylphenylsulfate (4EPS), can pass the tight junctions between intestinal epithelial cells and enter blood stream circulation. These metabolites can cause autism-like symptoms in the host such as abnormalities in sociability, communication, compulsive activity and severe stereotypic behavior. Oral treatment with *B. fragilis* can alter the gut microbial composition, restore normal GI barrier permeability and correct the ASD-related behavioral abnormalities (30). *Bacteroides* can efficiently deconjugate bile salts in the gut. Deconjugated bile salts have a much lower reabsorption rate and lowered ability to solubilize diet cholesterol. Non-reabsorbed bile will be excreted which has the indirect affect to reduce cholesterol levels by forcing the host to use more cholesterol for biosynthesis of bile salts and decrease cholesterol absorption (31). Lastly, several reports have shown that there is an association between the intestinal *Bacteroides* population and obesity. Obese individuals tend to have an abnormally low *Bacteroides* to *Firmicutes* ratio (32, 33). In some studies, it was also found that the relative abundance of *Bacteroides* increases as obese individuals lose weight (34). It is still not clear whether there is a causal relationship between obesity and the proportion of *Bacteroides* in the gut.

1.3 *Bacteroides* as opportunistic pathogens

Although the *Bacteroides* do provide many benefits as friendly commensals, they can transform into dangerous threats when translocated to extraintestinal sites. *Bacteroides* are frequently isolated from clinical anaerobic infections with high mortality (1, 7). *Bacteroides fragilis*, the type species of this group, only accounts for 0.5% of the colonic flora, but it is the most common anaerobe isolated from infections, being found in more than 63% of *Bacteroides* associated infections (1, 7). Thus, *B. fragilis* is regarded as the most virulent *Bacteroides* species and has served as a model for studying *Bacteroides* pathogenesis. Anaerobic infections are usually polymicrobial, and *B. fragilis* associated anaerobic infections have a mortality of more than 19%, up to 60% if left untreated (35).

B. fragilis opportunistic infections generally occur when the integrity of the intestinal wall is disrupted. Common predisposing conditions include GI surgery, trauma, malignancy and perforated inflammatory disease or infections in the GI tract (1, 7). *B. fragilis* associated infections include abscesses, appendicitis, bacteremia, bone and soft tissue infections, deep wound ulcers and UTI infections, but the most common and dangerous are intra-abdominal abscesses (IAA) (1, 7). IAA caused by *B. fragilis* are actually a pathologic immune response in which the immune cells are attracted to infected sites, if unable to clear the infection, additional immune cells are recruited to contain the bacterial cells and necrotic host tissue by walling them off with fibrin and connective tissues (36, 37). Once formed, antibiotic treatment has little effect on IAA and surgery is usually required. Rupture of the IAA without medical intervention usually leads to life-threatening situations.

It is also worthy to note that some strains of *B. fragilis* are able to produce the enterotoxin fragilysin. These strains are grouped as enterotoxigenic *B. fragilis* (ETBF) (92). ETBF can cause secretory diarrhea and studies have shown they also may be linked to inflammatory bowel disease and colon cancer (92).

1.4 Virulence Mechanisms

Following translocation from the gut to an extraintestinal site, *Bacteroides* typically face several challenges to the establishment of a successful infection. First, they need to attach at the site of infection, withstand the increased oxygen tension and resist clearing mechanisms from the host immune system. Next, they must persist in the new environment where the available nutritional resources become very limited, and where they need to shift their diet from a combination of dietary glycans and host glycans to host glycans only. *Bacteroides* need to coordinately express a variety of virulence factors to meet these challenges (1).

The *Bacteroides* capsule is a major factor associated with infection and pathogenesis. It contributes to the virulence in several ways. First, the capsule plays an important role in adherence. It has been shown that the ability of *B. fragilis* and other *Bacteroides* to adhere to rat peritoneal mesothelium depended on the presence of capsular polysaccharide, while acapsular strains were less adherent (39). Purified capsular polysaccharide alone can compete with live bacterial cells and inhibit *B. fragilis* adherence to rat peritoneal mesothelium (39). Second, the capsule can help *Bacteroides* withstand host clearance mechanisms due to its anti-phagocytic and anti-complement properties (40) and it subverts immune surveillance by

antigenic variation. For example, a single strain of *B. fragilis* has the capacity to synthesize eight different capsular polysaccharides, designated PSA to PSH (41), and expression of these capsular polysaccharides are regulated by two independent mechanisms. One is DNA inversion by which the promoter region of each individual locus can flip to give it an “on” or “off” status (42, 43). This inversion is mediated by a global DNA invertase named Mpi (42, 44, 45). The second mechanism involves *trans* locus inhibition. Within each capsule polysaccharide synthesis locus, there are two regulatory genes that encode UpxY and UpxZ, where x is replaced by “a” to “h” corresponding to PSA to PSH. UpxY is an antiterminator which is necessary for the transcription of the full length message of that polysaccharide synthesis locus, and UpxZ is a *trans* locus inhibitor which interacts with several other UpxYs to cause premature termination of the transcription of other capsule synthesis loci (46, 47). The combined effect of these two regulatory mechanisms allows *B. fragilis* to switch its capsule composition so that no more than two types of capsular polysaccharides are expressed at the same time. This ability to change the architecture on the cell surface may result in antigenicity variation and evasion of host immune surveillance (48). In addition to adherence and immune evasion, the capsule plays a vital role in abscess formation (49). Injection of capsule polysaccharide alone is sufficient to induce abscess formation, while systemic injection prevents abscess formation in rats, presumably due to the establishment of an antibody response to the capsules (49-51). It also has been demonstrated that the capsular polysaccharides do not contribute equally to abscess formation; rather, PSA is the most potent among all the eight to facilitate abscess formation (52). PSA is a zwitterionic (both positively and negatively charged) which can trigger a T-cell dependent response, and

contains the amino sugar acetamido-amino-2, 4, 6-trideoxygalactose (AATGal) as a component sugar. These two properties were thought to boost the PSA's abscess formation ability (49, 52).

Extraordinary aerotolerance is another important factor associated with *Bacteroides* extraintestinal infection. When translocated from the colon to the peritoneal cavity, bacteria have to face the challenge of increased oxygen tension up to 6% in this new environment. Oxidative stress will generate dramatic amounts of intracellular reactive oxygen species (ROS) such as hydrogen peroxide, superoxide and hydroxyl radicals, and ROS cause damage in a cell by peroxidation of membrane lipids, oxidation of amino acids in proteins, destruction of iron-sulfur clusters in enzymes, modification of DNA bases and strand breaks (53). *Bacteroides*, as strict anaerobes, cannot shift to a full aerobic metabolism but they can mount a sophisticated oxidative stress response that allows them to survive in oxygenated environments for extended periods of time. The oxidative stress response in *B. fragilis* has been well characterized, and can be divided into two phases. One is an acute response in which approximately 28 gene products involved in detoxification, repairing, and protection are quickly up-regulated within minutes of oxygen exposure (1, 54, 55). These gene products include catalase, peroxidase, superoxide dismutase, alkyl hydroperoxide reductase, and the non-specific DNA binding protein DPS, which all work synergistically to minimize the effect of ROS and to restore the reduced intracellular environment (54, 55). If the oxidative stress remains for an extended period, *B. fragilis* will mount a prolonged oxidative stress response (POST) in which there is a shift in gene expression aimed at remodeling the bacterial metabolism and physiology. This metabolic response induces genes encoding enzymes that can supply reducing power for detoxification and restore energy-generating capacity (55-59). This sophisticated oxidative stress response makes *B. fragilis* one of

the most aerotolerant anaerobes on earth and enhances its survival in extraintestinal sites to allow it to cause infection (55).

Besides its capsules and oxidative stress response, *B. fragilis* also has other virulence traits. These include the ability to release outer membrane vesicles containing a variety of hydrolases and hemagglutinins (8, 9), expression of neuraminidases, expression of hemolysins (54, 60), and release of proteases and enterotoxin (enterotoxigenic strains only) (92).

1.5 The polysaccharide utilization systems in *Bacteroides*

Bacteroides are glycan utilization experts with extraordinary enzymatic abilities to degrade a wide variety of polysaccharides as carbon/energy sources (21). The human distal gut allows *Bacteroides* to exert their expertise by constantly providing a broad spectrum of polysaccharides, mostly undigested dietary glycans such as cellulose, pectin, xylan, and host derived glycans in the form of glycoconjugates such as glycoproteins, glycolipids and glycosaminoglycans (20, 22, 61). This ability explains in part why *Bacteroides* are so predominant in the distal gut (18, 19).

In *Bacteroides* genomes, genes encoding the machinery to degrade a specific type of polysaccharides are organized into multiple gene clusters, known as polysaccharide utilization loci (PULs). The ability to utilize such a wide variety of polysaccharides is the result of dedicating

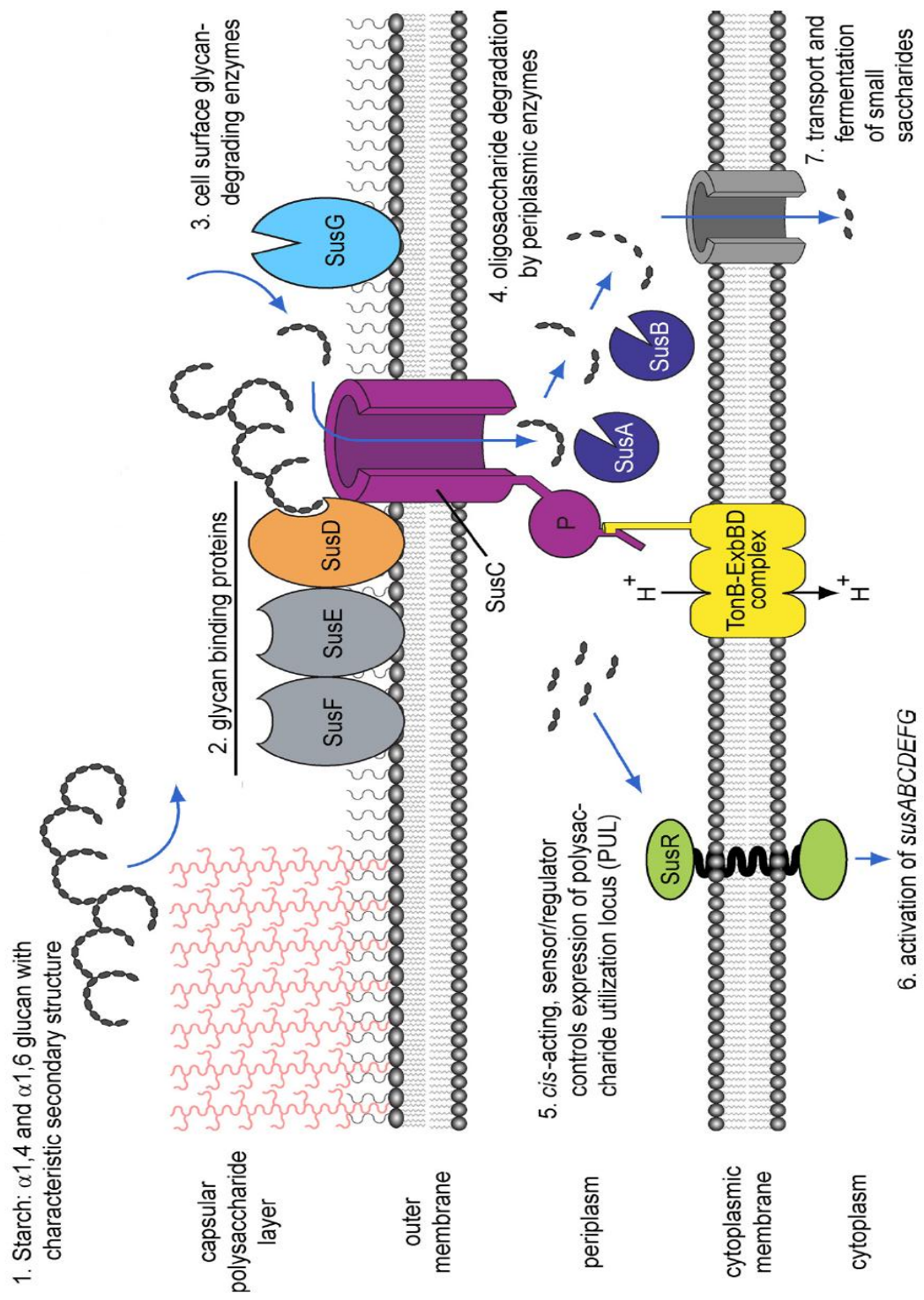
a large portion of their genomes to these PULs. For instance, 18% of *B. thetaiotaomicron* genome is composed of these PULs (62).

Bacteroides PULs were first characterized in *B. thetaiotaomicron* using the starch utilization system (Sus), which specifically degrades starch, as a model. The *sus* locus contains eight genes *susABCDEFGR*. *SusA* and *susB* encode periplasmic amylases. *SusC* encodes a TonB-linked outer membrane porin which is required to transport the processed starch oligosaccharides from outside of the cell to the periplasmic space. The *susD* gene encodes an outer membrane protein which binds the oligosaccharides and aids its transportation through the channel formed by *SusC* porin. Downstream genes *susEFG* encode gene products which will form an outer membrane complex with *SusC* and *SusD* and are important for recognition and processing of large starch molecules (63-66). *SusR* is a transcriptional activator which responds to the substrate in the periplasmic space (67). A functional model of the *B. thetaiotaomicron* starch utilization system is represented by Fig. 1.2.

Fig. 1.2. Functional model of the *B. thetaiotaomicron* starch utilization system (Sus) (68).

Steps involved in processing starch are sequentially illustrated and numbered. Step 1, starch molecules transit through the capsule layer. Step 2, starch molecules are bound by outer membrane complex components such as SusD. Step 3, surface bound starch molecules are degraded and processed by outer membrane complex component glycohydrolase such as SusG, generating smaller oligosaccharides through the outer membrane porin SusC. Step 4, oligosaccharides are further degraded into component mono- or disaccharides by periplasmic glycan degrading enzymes SusA and SusB. Step 5 and 6, liberated glycan components serve as signal molecules for the transcriptional activator SusR that activate *sus* operon expression. Step 7, degraded sugar units are imported in to the cytoplasm serving as a carbon/energy source.

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The *B. thetaiotaomicron* Sus system serves as a paradigm for all the Sus-like PULs in *Bacteroides*. These PULs encode similar outer membrane protein complexes for glycan utilization and are identified by sequence homology. Most PULs contain the SusC and SusD homolog with or without the presence of other downstream genes encoding outer membrane complex proteins, but in limited cases, only the SusC/SusD-like protein pair is present in the locus (7, 13). In contrast to the archetypical *B. thetaiotaomicron* Sus system, the most frequently observed genetic regulators of the PULs in *B. fragilis* are not SusR homologs but rather they are ECF sigma factor/anti sigma pairs, and in some cases two component regulatory systems.

Although there is a wide range of glycan substrates used by the Sus-like systems, each system generally only has one specific type of glycan as the substrate (68), and the Sus-like systems are not only limited in *Bacteroides* species but seen in the *Bacteroidetes* phylum (68). A few well-studied Sus-like systems are listed in Table 1.1.

The traditional catabolite repression/activation system which allows for the select utilization of a preferential carbon/energy source does not function in *Bacteroides* as they do not possess cyclic AMP (69). Although multiple Sus-like systems can be induced at the same time when their substrates are present, a recent study showed that there is a hierarchy in the expression of these Sus-like systems (22). The mechanism of how *Bacteroides* define the hierarchy is not clear. Interestingly, there also appears to be a link between the expression of some specific Sus-like systems and polysaccharide capsule biosynthesis, but the mechanism is still not fully understood (62).

Table 1.1. Sus-like systems in the *Bacteroidetes*

Name	Species	Substrate	Special note	Ref.
Sus	<i>B. thetaiotaomicron</i>	Starch	Paradigm for all Sus-like systems	(68)
XyGULs	<i>B. ovatus</i>	Xylan glycans	Break down plant cell walls	(124)
Don	<i>B. fragilis</i>	Transferrin and other serum glycoproteins	Extraintestinal growth factor	This study
CCF	<i>B. fragilis</i>	Unknown host glycan	Commensal colonization factor	(98)
Osu	<i>B. fragilis</i>	Starch	Oxygen inducible	(59)
Gpd	<i>C. canimorsus</i>	Human IgG glycan	A Sus-like system in a <i>Flavobacteria</i>	(93)
Csu	<i>B. thetaiotaomicron</i>	Glycosaminoglycan	Enable the bacterium to grow on chondroitin sulfate and hyaluronic acid	(1)

CHAPTER TWO: EFFICIENT UTILIZATION OF COMPLEX N-LINKED GLYCANS IS A SELECTIVE ADVANTAGE FOR BACTEROIDES FRAGILIS IN EXTRAINTESTINAL INFECTIONS

2.1 Abstract

Bacteroides fragilis is the most common anaerobe isolated from clinical infections and in this report we demonstrate a novel feature of the species that is critical to their success as an opportunistic pathogen. Among the *Bacteroides spp.* in the gut, *B. fragilis* has a unique ability to efficiently harvest complex N-linked glycans from the glycoproteins common to serum and serous fluid. This activity is mediated by a Sus-like outer membrane protein complex designated as Don. Using the abundant serum glycoprotein transferrin as a model it was shown that *B. fragilis* alone can rapidly and efficiently deglycosylate this protein *in vitro* and that transferrin glycans can provide the sole source of carbon and energy for growth in defined media. We then showed that transferrin deglycosylation occurs *in vivo* when *B. fragilis* is propagated in the rat tissue cage model of extraintestinal growth and that this ability provides a competitive advantage *in vivo* over strains lacking the *don* locus.

2.2 Significance

The human microbiota has a huge impact on health from the proper development of the immune system to the maintenance of normal physiological processes. The largest concentration of microbes is found in the colon which is home to more than 500 bacterial species most of which are obligate anaerobes. This population also poses a significant threat of opportunistic infection and of all the species present, *Bacteroides fragilis* is the one most frequently isolated from anaerobic, extraintestinal infections. New findings presented here describe a unique ability of this species to efficiently deglycosylate complex N-linked glycans from the most abundant glycoproteins found in serum and serous fluid. This provides *B. fragilis* a competitive, nutritional advantage for extraintestinal growth.

2.3 Introduction

The genus *Bacteroides* are Gram-negative, obligate anaerobic bacteria that account for approximately 30% of the microbiota in the human large intestine (1, 17). This relationship benefits the host by aiding in the development of a healthy immune response and in the maintenance of many physiological and nutritional processes. One major factor that contributes to the predominance of *Bacteroides* is their capacity to utilize a wide spectrum of polysaccharides ranging from dietary compounds that cannot be digested by the host, such as xylans or pectins, to the host derived glycans in the form of glyco-conjugates (19, 20). Polysaccharide digestion in the *Bacteroides* is mediated in large part by novel outer membrane complexes that bind, cleave and transport these substrates. These systems have a similar

genetic organization characterized by a regulatory region followed by an operon coding for orthologues of the TonB-dependent transporter, SusC, and the accessory binding protein SusD. Additional genes in the operon are for specific substrate binding and glycohydrolase enzymes (68). The genes for these protein complexes are termed polysaccharide utilization loci (PULs).

In contrast to their beneficial role in the colon, *Bacteroides* species also are the most common opportunistic pathogens isolated from clinical specimens of anaerobic infections. These opportunistic infections can occur when the integrity of the intestinal wall becomes compromised. Predisposing conditions include intestinal surgery, perforated or gangrenous appendix, carcinoma, diverticulitis, trauma and inflammatory bowel diseases. Peritonitis and intra-abdominal abscesses are the most common infections associated with *Bacteroides* often leading to bacteremia (70). Notably, *Bacteroides fragilis* represents only 0.5% of the gut flora yet it is isolated in the majority of anaerobic infections, thus it is regarded as more invasive than the other *Bacteroides* (71-73). A number of factors have been identified that may contribute to its enhanced extraintestinal survival. For example, there is a variable polysaccharide capsule which interferes with immune surveillance and there is a robust oxidative stress resistance system but these attributes are not exclusive to *B. fragilis* (43, 52, 55). Another challenge faced by organisms invading from the colon is the need to adapt to different nutritional sources. In the gut, the *Bacteroides* rely on dietary polysaccharides and host derived glycans as sources of carbon/energy but when outside of the gut environment they will have more limited choices of only host derived glycans. The ability to efficiently harvest glycans present on host glycoproteins in extraintestinal sites may enhance survival and colonization.

In this report we describe a Sus-like PUL which is unique to *B. fragilis* and allows it to efficiently utilize complex N-linked glycans from the most abundant serum/serous fluid glycoproteins including transferrin. Overall the studies suggest that the ability to harvest these glycans is advantageous for growth at extraintestinal sites and can explain, in part, the success of *B. fragilis* as an opportunistic pathogen relative to the other *Bacteroides* species.

2.4 Materials and methods

2.4.1 Bacterial strains and growth.

Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study are listed in Table 2.1. *B. fragilis* 638R was the wild type strain used for genetic analyses. *Bacteroides* strains were grown in an anaerobic chamber in Brain Heart Infusion broth supplemented with hemin and cysteine (BHIS) (55). Rifampicin (20 µg/ml), gentamicin (100 µg/ml), erythromycin (10 µg/ml) and tetracycline (5 µg/ml) were added as indicated. Minimal defined media (DM) were prepared as described previously with the specific carbon/energy sources described in the text (74). Mucin glycans were prepared by proteolysis of porcine gastric mucin (Sigma-Aldrich, Cat. M2378) followed by alkaline β -elimination to release free glycans (20). In experiments using DM-transferrin, the transferrin was >98% iron saturated holo-transferrin and the transferrin-containing media (and controls) contained 100 µM FeSO₄ to ensure a readily available source of iron for growth.

Table 2.1 Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study.

Bacterial strain or plasmid	^a Description	Reference or source
<i>Bacteroides</i> strains		
IB101	<i>B. fragilis</i> , 638R, clinical isolate, Rf ^r	(75)
IB555	638R Δ don, BF638R3439-3443 genes replaced with a <i>tetQ</i> cassette, Tc ^r , Rf ^r	This study
IB114	<i>B. fragilis</i> , ATCC 25285, clinical isolate, Rf ^r	(55, 76)
IB116	<i>Bacteroides thetaiotaomicron</i> , VPI strain 2302, Rf ^r	(77)
BT5482R	<i>Bacteroides thetaiotaomicron</i> , VPI strain 5482 (ATCC 29148), Rf ^r	(77)
IB102	<i>Bacteroides uniformis</i> , VPI strain 006-1 (ATCC8492), Rf ^r	
IB103	<i>Bacteroides ovatus</i> , VPI 0038 (ATCC 8483)	(76)
IB351	<i>Bacteroides vulgatus</i> , ATCC 8482	(76)
BER37	<i>Parabacteroides distasonis</i> , clinical isolate CLA348	(78)
Ber39	<i>Parabacteroides merdae</i> , ATCC 43185	
<i>E. coli</i> strains		
DH10B	<i>E. coli</i> , F ⁻ <i>mcrA</i> Δ (<i>mrr</i> - <i>hsdRMS</i> - <i>mcrBC</i>) Φ 80/ <i>lacZ</i> Δ M15 Δ <i>lacX74</i> <i>recA1</i> <i>endA1</i> <i>araD139</i> Δ (<i>ara</i> <i>leu</i>) 7697 <i>galU</i> <i>galK</i> <i>rpsL</i> <i>nupG</i> λ^-	Invitrogen
HB101::RK231	<i>E. coli</i> , HB101 containing RK231, Kn ^r , Tc ^r , Sm ^r	(79)
Plasmids		
pFD516	<i>Bacteroides</i> suicide vector, 7.7 kb, Sp ^r in <i>E. coli</i> , Em ^r in <i>Bacteroides</i>	(80)
pFD516/omp117 \pm 2K/ <i>tetQ</i>	pFD516 containing the BF638R3439-3443 deletion construct with the <i>tetQ</i> gene cassette, 14.6 kb, Sp ^r in <i>E. coli</i> , Em ^r and Tc ^r in <i>Bacteroides</i> .	This study

^a Rf, rifampicin; Tc, tetracycline; Sp, spectinomycin; Em, erythromycin; Kn, kanamycin; Sm, streptomycin.

Table 2.2. Oligonucleotides used in this study.

Name	Sequence (5' → 3')	Tag	Description
UF	AGTCCTGCAGCAAACAGATGCCTTATCAGTTT	PstI	Designed to amplify 2 kb upstream of <i>donC</i>
UR	AGTCGGATCCCAGTGTCTTATCCAGAGATTCA	BamHI	
DF	AGTCGGATCCCTGGACAATATCGATTCAAGCA	BamHI	
DR	AGTCGAGCTCATAGCGACCAAAACCCTTCT	SacI	Designed to amplify 2 kb downstream for <i>donG</i>
Omp117rtL	GGTGAAGGCATTTCCGACTT		Designed to amplify a 140 bp fragment of <i>donC</i> gene for quantitative PCR
Omp117rtR	TTGCCTTCCTGCCCTTTCTT		
16srL	GATGCGTTCCATTAGGTTGTTG		Designed to amplify a 127 bp fragment of 16s ribosomal RNA gene for quantitative PCR
16srR	CACTGCTGCCTCCCGTAG		
PsigOKL2	AATCACAATCAGCCTTATATTCTAC		Designed to amplify a 375 bp fragment spanning <i>donA</i> and its potential TIS region
PsigOKR	CATTGCTCCTGATAGGTCTG		
PantisigOKL	GGATATTTTCGATCCGCACTG		Designed to amplify a 298 bp fragment spanning the intergenic region of <i>donA</i> and <i>donB</i>
PantisigOKR	TTTCCTTCCGTTTCGTTCCA		
Pomp117L	AGATATCCTGAACATTATGCAGG		Designed to amplify a 339 bp fragment spanning the intergenic region of <i>donB</i> and <i>donC</i>
Pomp117R	GCCGTTTGTAGAATAAAACAGC		
PsusDL	AATGACCTCTTCGACAGGTA		Designed to amplify a 220 bp fragment spanning the intergenic region of <i>donC</i> and <i>donD</i>
PsusDR	GGTCCGGTTGATATCTTCG		
PendoSL	ATTGATCGGAAACGGATACG		Designed to amplify a 240 bp fragment spanning the intergenic region of <i>donD</i> and <i>donE</i>
PendosR	CTACCAACAATGCTACTCCG		
PsusEL	GAAGACGCATTTGAAGACGA		Designed to amplify a 261 bp fragment spanning the intergenic region of <i>donE</i> and <i>donF</i>
PsusER	GCTCTAAAGTGAAGTTGACGA		
PsusFL	GAGACCAAAGACCTGAAAGC		Designed to amplify a 288 bp fragment spanning the intergenic region of <i>donF</i> and <i>donG</i>
PsusFR	GAGTTGCTCACGGATATCTT		

2.4.2 Construction of a *don* operon deletion mutant.

The *donCDEFG* genes were replaced with a *tetQ* tetracycline resistance (Fig. S1). Chromosomal fragments of about 2 kb flanking the *donC* and *donE* genes were amplified using PCR primer pairs UF/UR and DF/DR respectively (Table 2.2). The amplified DNA was cloned into the *Bacteroides* suicide vector pFD516 together with the *tetQ* gene cassette in a three-fragment ligation. The recombinant plasmid was mobilized into *B. fragilis* 638R by conjugation and exconjugants were selected on BHIS plates containing rifampicin, gentamicin and tetracycline. Candidate mutants were screened for sensitivity to erythromycin and by PCR to identify the double-crossover allelic exchange.

2.4.3 Animal model of infection.

The tissue cage infection model has been described previously (60, 81). Briefly, a perforated, sterilized Ping-Pong ball was surgically implanted into the peritoneal cavity of an adult male Sprague Dawley rat and allowed to encapsulate for 4-5 weeks. The ball becomes encased in connective tissue, develops a blood supply, and fills with sterile serous fluids (~25ml per ball). *B. fragilis* strains grown overnight in BHIS media were diluted in PBS buffer (50 mM PO₄, 150 mM NaCl, pH 7.4,) to 10⁵ CFU/ml and 4 ml of this suspension was injected into the tissue cage. Samples were aspirated at the indicated time points for viable cell counts and RNA extraction. For viable cell counts aliquots were serially diluted in PBS buffer, plated on BHIS plates and incubated in an anaerobic chamber to determine CFU. Samples were also plated on LB agar plates and incubated aerobically to check for contamination.

The *in vivo* competition assay was performed by mixing overnight cultures of 638R and Δdon at a one to one ratio followed by dilution in PBS buffer to a total viable cell count of 10^5 cfu/ml. Four ml of the cell mixture was injected into the tissue cage of each animal and aliquots were plated to determine CFU/ml. Diluted samples were plated on BHIS plates with rifampicin and gentamicin. After 4-5 days incubation, 100 to 300 colonies from each sample were picked to BHIS plates with and without tetracycline to check the resistance phenotype and determine the ratio of mutant to wild type.

All procedures involving animals followed the National Institutes of Health guidelines and were approved by the Animal Care and Use Committee of East Carolina University. For each bacterial strain tested two trials of 5 animals each were performed.

2.4.4 Total RNA extraction.

RNA extraction from *in vivo* samples was done as described previously with a few modifications (60). Fluid was aspirated and immediately mixed with RNAprotect Cell Reagent (Qiagen, Inc.) at a 1:2 ratio. Next, 0.1% sodium deoxycholate was used to lyse host cells, then bacterial cells and debris were collected and washed in PBS containing RNAprotect Cell Reagent and sodium deoxycholate. Total RNA was extracted from the cell pellet using the hot phenol method described previously (82) and stored in 50% formamide at -80°C . RNA extraction from *in vitro* bacterial cell cultures was performed on washed cell pellets using the same hot phenol method.

2.4.5 cDNA synthesis, qRT-PCR, and microarray analysis.

Total RNA was purified using the RNeasy Mini Kit (Qiagen, Inc.) and DNA was removed by treatment with DNase (Ambion/Life Technologies Inc.). DNA contamination was determined by PCR using specific for the 16s ribosomal RNA gene (Table 2.2). First strand cDNA synthesis was carried out using 1 µg total RNA with random hexamer primers and Superscript III RT (Life Technologies, Inc.). For qRT-PCR, primer pair, omp117rtL and omp117rtR, were used to amplify a 140 bp fragment of the *donC* gene in a standard reaction mixture with SYBR^R Green Supermix (Bio-Rad, Inc.). All sample reactions were in run in triplicate and RNA with no reverse transcriptase was used as a control to monitor for DNA contamination. Relative expression values were normalized to 16s rRNA and calculated by the method of Pfaffl (83). Results represent at least two independent experiments performed in triplicate.

Expression microarray analyses were performed essentially as described previously (58). Double stranded cDNA was synthesized with the SuperScript^R Double-Stranded cDNA Synthesis Kit (Life Technologies, Inc.). One µg of purified double stranded cDNA was then labeled with cy3, hybridized to microarray slides, and processed by the Florida State University Roche/NimbleGen Microarray Facility. For each experimental condition at least two independent trials were performed. Each trial consisted of a high-density-oligonucleotide whole genome expression microarray (Roche/NimbleGen, Madison WI) with 8 technical replicates of each probe per slide. RNA for each trial was pooled from five rats prior to cDNA synthesis. Raw microarray expression data were normalized by using the RMA algorithm implemented with the

Roche DEVA 1.1 software. The microarray expression data have been deposited in the NCBI Gene Expression Omnibus database under accession number GSE53883.

2.4.6 Whole cell deglycosylation assay.

Cultures were grown in 5 ml of DM-mucin glycan, harvested by centrifugation at mid-logarithmic phase, washed and the cells were suspended to an OD_{A550} of 1.0 in PBS. 100 µL of the cell suspension was incubated with 100 µL of tissue cage serous fluid (1/10 diluted), purified human transferrin (1 mg/ml in PBS), IgG (1 mg/ml in PBS) or IgA (1 mg/ml in PBS) as described in the text. All proteins were from Sigma Aldrich Inc. For controls 100 µL PBS replaced the bacterial cell suspension. Assays were incubated anaerobically at 37°C for 3 hours or overnight, then samples were centrifuged, supernatants collected, mixed with loading buffer and electrophoresed on 12% SDS-PAGE gels. The gels were analyzed by Coomassie blue staining or proteins were transferred to PVDF membranes for glycan determination using *Sambucus nigra* agglutinin according to the manufacturer's instructions (Roche, DIG Glycan Differentiation Kit).

2.4.7 Glycomics analyses of *B. fragilis* treated human transferrin.

Purified human transferrin was suspended in PBS to 2 mg/ml and 100 µL of this was used in deglycosylation assays as described above except that following incubation the assay supernatants were filter sterilized and frozen at -80°C. Samples were analyzed by Ezose Sciences Inc. (Pine Brook, NJ) to quantify *N*-linked glycans using previously reported methods

(84, 85). Briefly, samples were denatured, digested with trypsin and then heat-inactivated. The *N*-glycans were then enzymatically released from the peptides by treatment with PNGase F, captured on chemoselective beads and then processed for MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry. Mass spectra were analyzed using Ezose's proprietary bioinformatics programs. Results were normalized to 1 g/L of transferrin and reported as the average of two independent experiments.

2.5 Results

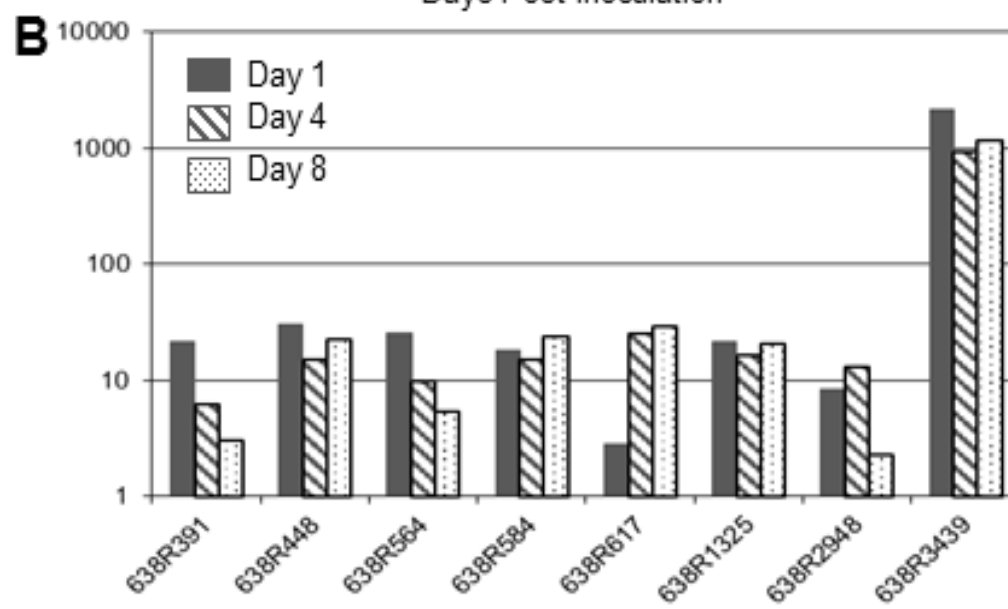
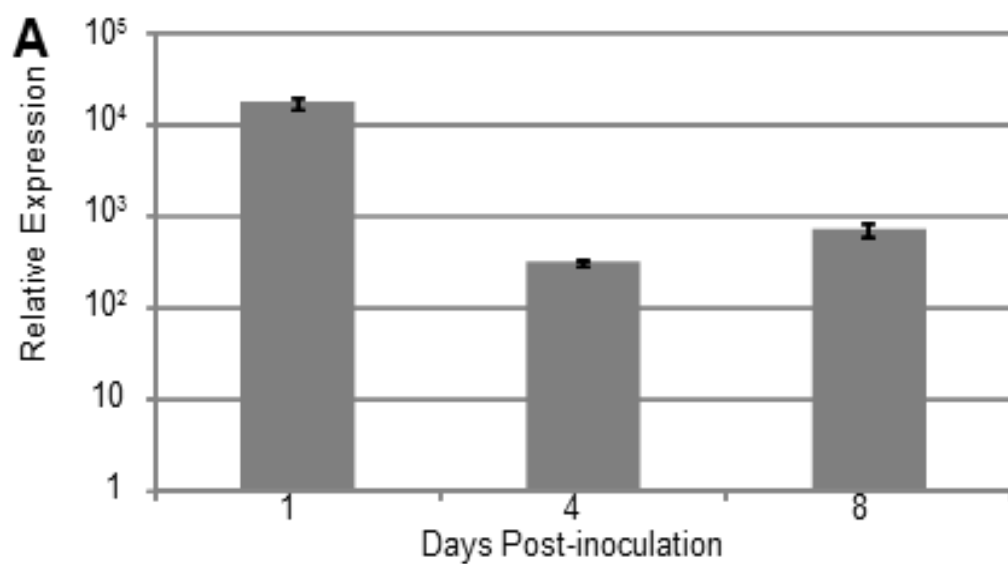
2.5.1 *In vivo*, extraintestinal PUL expression.

Considerable progress has been made in understanding how the *Bacteroides* compete for and utilize limited nutrients in the gut ecosystem. In contrast, there is a paucity of knowledge concerning *Bacteroides* nutrient foraging in extraintestinal environments. As an initial strategy to identify significant pathways of catabolism, microarrays were used to measure gene expression of *B. fragilis* cells growing in a rat tissue cage abscess model. The results suggested that the organism may rely on a variety of PULs to harvest glycans from host proteins present in the serous fluid of the model abscess. *B. fragilis* has 47 putative PULs and 22 stand-alone SusC/SusD-like protein pairs and several of these were among the most highly induced genes *in vivo*. A five gene operon, BF638R3439-43 associated with one of these PULs was induced from 2147- to 765-fold along the length of the 8 kb operon. These were the most highly induced genes *in vivo* and the genes in this PUL have been designated as *donABCDEFGF* (Fig. S1). To more easily compare expression of all PUL operons, the SusC orthologues were

used as proxy for expression of the entire operon (22). This approach was validated by qRT-PCR which confirmed the *in vivo* induction of *donC* (Fig. 2.1A). The results from day 1, 4, and 8 samples were compared to *in vitro* grown mid-logarithmic phase cultures and showed a high level of induction throughout the course of the experiment.

Examination of the SusC orthologue expression data by *k*-means clustering revealed four major *in vivo* PUL gene induction patterns (Appendix 2, Fig. S2). The *donC* gene was associated with the most highly induced genes, Cluster 1, which consisted of 8 PULs and 5 stand-alone SusC/SusD orthologues. As shown in Fig. 2.1B the PULs in this cluster were rapidly induced more than 10-fold and the level of induction remained high throughout the 8 days. A second cluster of 25 SusC orthologues was induced more gradually and remained induced 1.5-5-fold for the 8 days (Fig. S2B). The remaining two PUL clusters were repressed in the abscess model and may be of less importance outside of the intestinal environment.

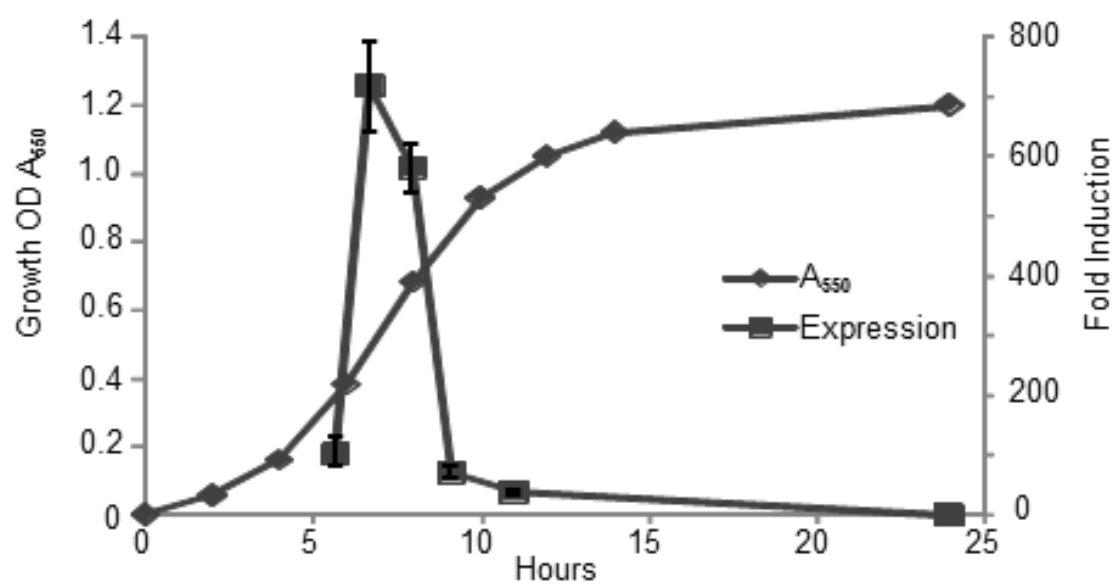
Fig. 2.1. *In vivo* PUL gene expression during growth of *B. fragilis* in the rat tissue cage model. Samples for analyses were pooled from 5 animals 1, 4, and 8 days post inoculation. **A)** Expression of *donC* was determined by qRT-PCR for samples from the rat tissue cage and mid-logarithmic cultures grown in DM-glucose. The results are the average of triplicate samples and are presented as the *in vivo/in vitro* ratio. **B)** Induction of *SusC* orthologues during growth *in vivo* relative to DM-glucose. Shown are the highly induced-*in vivo susC*-like genes associated with PULs in Cluster 1. Clusters were determined from expression microarray data analyzed by *k*-means clustering using the Standard Pearson's correlation coefficient distance metric. All induction values were significant at $p < .01$.



2.5.2 *In vitro* induction of the *donCDEFG* operon.

The *don* PUL was chosen as a model for extraintestinal PUL function and it included several gene products that may be associated with N-linked glycan utilization such as an endo-S-like endo-N-acetyl- β -D-glucosaminidase (DonE) and a lectin-like product with an α -N-acetylglucosaminidase domain (DonF). In order to demonstrate a function of the PUL it was necessary to find an inducing substrate for *in vitro* expression studies. This was accomplished by using a crude glycan mixture prepared by alkaline β -elimination hydrolysis of porcine stomach mucin. The majority of mucin glycans are O-linked glycans and 10-20% are N-linked glycans (20). A defined medium containing the glycan mixture as the sole carbon/energy source supported rapid growth of the wild type strain BF638R (Fig. 2.2). Expression analysis by qRT-PCR showed that *donC* was strongly induced in this medium in a growth phase dependent manner with the highest level of induction at mid-logarithmic phase. This RNA also was used for RT-PCR with primers pairs that spanned the intergenic regions of the PUL and the data indicated linkage between the *donBCDEFG* genes (Fig. S1).

Fig. 2.2. Induction of *donC* expression during growth on mucin glycans. Strain BF638R was grown in defined medium containing 2% porcine gastric mucin glycans as the sole carbon/energy source. The induction of *donC* by mucin glycans relative to growth on glucose was determined by qRT-PCR. The results are overlaid on a typical growth curve with mucin glycans (OD A₅₅₀, grey diamonds). The qRT-PCR results represent 2 independent experiments (grey squares) with standard deviations shown.



2.5.3 Deglycosylation of transferrin is mediated by *donCDEFG*.

Don PUL function was explored by incubating serous fluid from the rat tissue cage (obtained prior to inoculation) with wild type or $\Delta donCDEFG$ (Δdon) mutant cells grown to mid-logarithmic phase in the inducing, mucin glycan medium. Samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and the results in Fig. 2.3A show that one of the major fluid proteins was significantly reduced in size in samples treated with the wild type strain but not with the deletion mutant. Analysis by mass spectrometry revealed that this protein was rat serum transferrin, one of the most abundant glycoproteins in serum. The precise size reduction of the protein suggested the possibility that the transferrin glycans were removed. To test this, human transferrin was incubated with the wild type or Δdon mutant cells. Duplicate samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE with either Coomassie blue or *Sambucus nigra* (SNA) lectin staining. As shown in Fig. 2.3B transferrin treated with the wild type strain was reduced in size after the 3 h incubation whereas the deletion strain did not have an obvious effect on transferrin size. Also, no degradation or reduced intensity of the protein band was observed in any of the samples. The SNA stained gels showed that transferrin treated with wild type cells was completely deglycosylated but in contrast an intense signal remained in samples treated with the deletion mutant and controls (Fig. 2.3B). In addition to transferrin, other serous fluid proteins were rapidly deglycosylated by *B. fragilis*. In assays using serous fluid samples the wild type strain had significant deglycosylation activity on many serous fluid proteins but the Δdon mutant activity was considerably reduced (Fig. S3). Although the mutant clearly retained some activity, the overall results indicate that *B. fragilis don* coded proteins play an important role in the

deglycosylation of N-linked glycans on transferrin and other glycoproteins. These genes were designated *don* for Deglycosylation Of N-linked glycans.

The SNA lectin recognizes terminal sialic acids linked to Gal or GalNAc which is suitable to detect N-linked glycans but is not a definitive assay. Conceivably loss of the terminal sialic acids by the action of neuraminidase could result in loss of SNA staining. Therefore a comprehensive mass spectrometric glycomics analysis of transferrin was performed. Human transferrin has two glycosylation sites and there were seven distinct oligosaccharides linked to those sites, five of which made up 98.1% of the total transferrin glycans (Table 1). Incubation of transferrin with wild type cells for 3 h resulted in essentially complete deglycosylation of N-linked glycans. By comparison, nearly 70% of the N-linked glycans remained in samples incubated with the Δdon mutant. There were no new oligosaccharide structures detected in reactions with the wild type strain suggesting efficient cleavage of the glycan likely at the β -1,4-di-N-acetylchitobiose core by the endo- β -N-acetylglucosaminidase S (DonE). These results confirm that transferrin is a substrate for the Don PUL but also indicate there is a second, less efficient deglycosylation system for this substrate.

Fig. 2.3. Deglycosylation of transferrin is mediated by the *don* PUL. **A)** Serous fluid obtained from tissues cages prior to inoculation was incubated for 3 h with PBS or *B. fragilis* cells induced by growth in DM-mucin glycan medium. Samples were analyzed by 12% SDS-PAGE and Coomassie blue staining (Co). The arrowhead indicates the location of transferrin above the abundant serum albumin protein. **B)** Deglycosylation analysis of human transferrin. Human transferrin was incubated with wild type or Δdon cells induced by growth in DM-mucin glycan medium. Samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and followed by SNA glycan-staining (SNA) to detect N-linked glycans as described in the text.

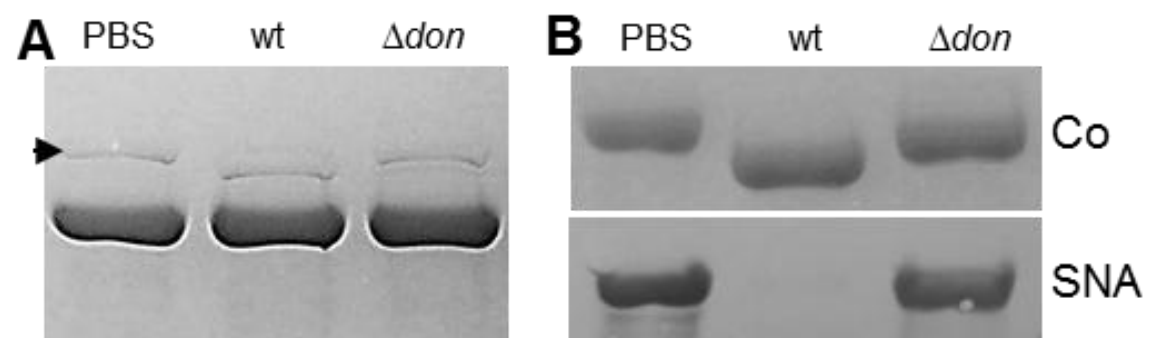
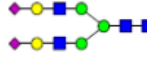

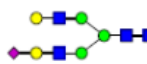

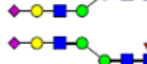


Table 2.3. Quantitative glycan analysis of transferrin incubated with *B. fragilis* cells.

^b Glycan	% Total	^a Concentration of glycan (μM)		
		PBS	wt	Δdon
	87.5%	15.86 ± 0.32	ND	10.43 ± 1.06
	4.0%	0.72 ± 0.03	ND	0.25 ± 0.01
	3.3%	0.60 ± 0.02	ND	0.71 ± 0.11
	1.9%	0.34 ± 0.01	0.05	0.27 ± 0.07
	1.4%	0.25 ± 0.01	ND	0.21 ± 0.04
Totals	98.1%	17.77 ± 0.4	0.05	11.87 ± 1.11

^a Transferrin was treated with PBS, strain 638R (wt), or the Δdon mutant for 3 hours as described in the text. Results are normalized to 1 g/L of transferrin and are the average of 2 independent samples. ND=not detected.

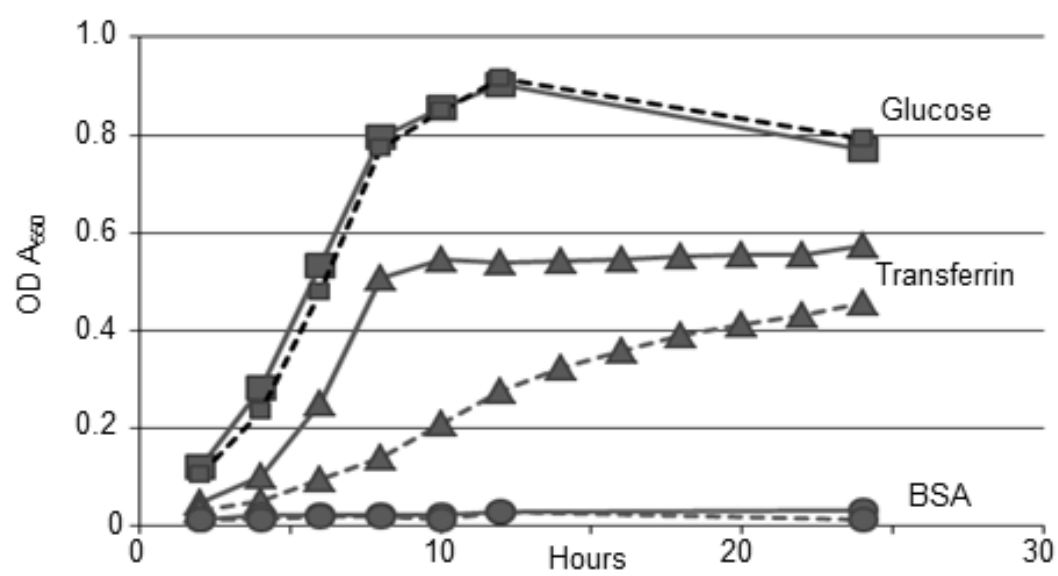
^b The five major glycans on transferrin are shown and were composed of the following sugars:



2.5.4 Growth on transferrin as the sole carbon and energy source.

The ability to forage for high quality carbohydrates in extraintestinal sites would be advantageous to *Bacteroides spp.* translocated from the gut. Transferrin is the most abundant glycoprotein present in serum and is estimated to have a carbohydrate content of 5.8% so we tested if it could support the growth of *B. fragilis*. As shown in Fig. 2.4, 25 mg/ml of transferrin supported robust growth of the wild type strain but not the Δdon mutant. There was no significant difference in the growth rate between wild type and mutant strains grown with glucose (Fig. 2.4). Expression of the *don* operon during growth on transferrin was measured by qRT-PCR with *donC* primers and the results showed a 10^4 –fold induction over glucose grown cells. SDS-PAGE analysis of the transferrin medium after 24 or 48 hours of growth indicated there was no degradation of the transferrin peptide. The non-glycosylated protein, bovine serum albumin, did not support growth (Fig. 2.4). Interestingly, the Δdon mutant was able to grow in the transferrin medium albeit at a much slower rate. This confirms the presence of a second system that enables slow utilization of transferrin glycans.

Fig. 2.4. *B. fragilis* can grow with transferrin as the sole source of carbon and energy. Growth curves are shown for wild type or Δdon strains in defined media with different carbon/energy sources. An overnight inoculum of 2% was used and the OD A₅₅₀ was measured at specific time intervals. Dashed lines are Δdon and solid lines are wild type. Squares, glucose (0.4%); triangles, human transferrin (25mg/ml); circles, bovine serum albumin (25 mg/ml). Each growth curve represents three biological repeats.



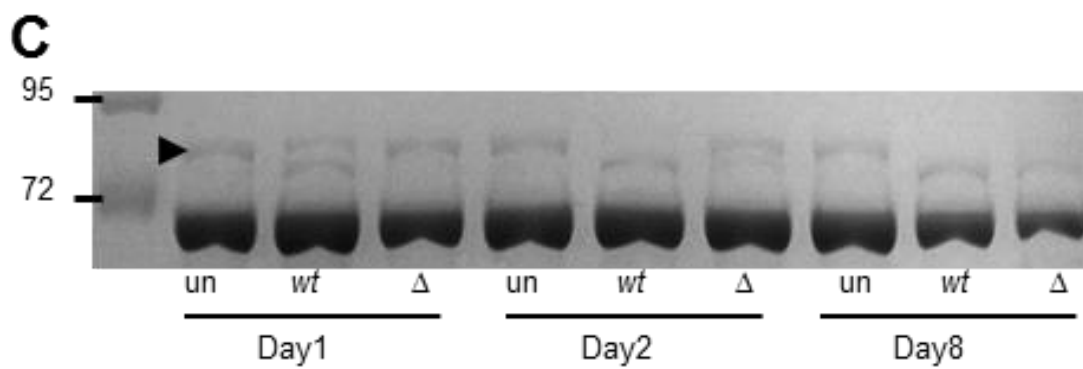
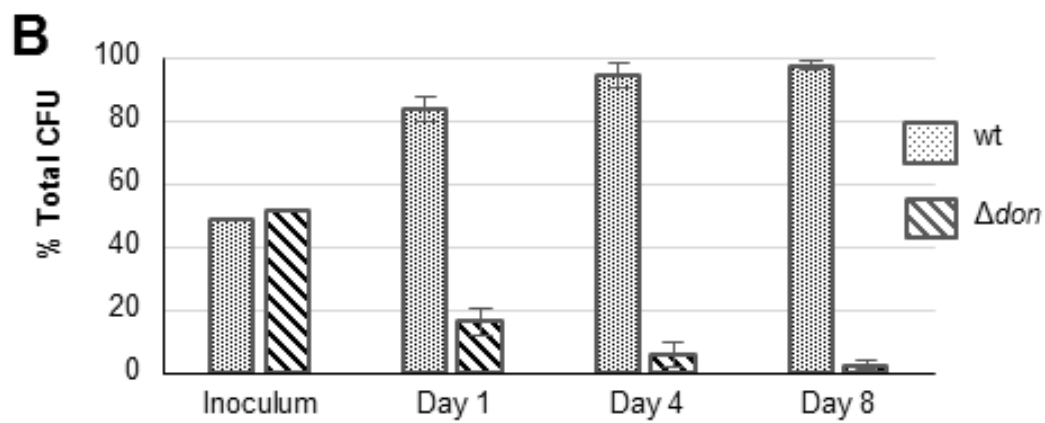
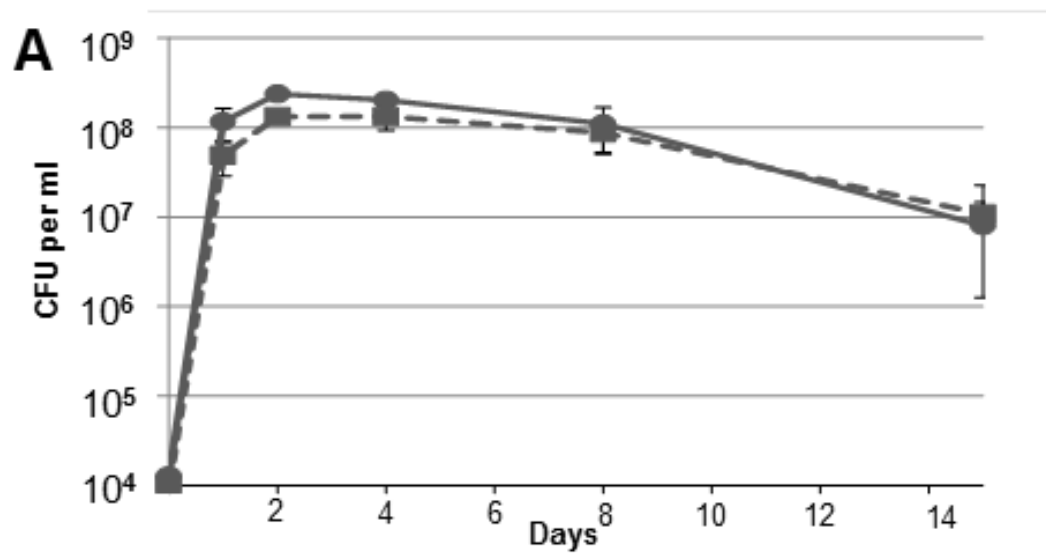
2.5.5 *In vivo* role of the *don* PUL.

To investigate a potential role for the *don* operon in extraintestinal sites, the rat tissue cage model was used to measure growth *in vivo*. There was not a drastic difference in CFU counts between wild type and Δdon strains during monoculture experiments over the course of a 15 day period (Fig. 2.5A). There was however a small, two-fold advantage for the wild type in the first two days following inoculation. To determine if this difference would translate into a competitive advantage, mixed culture assays were performed using wild type and mutant strains co-inoculated into rat tissue cages. The results were clear, Δdon was quickly out-competed and at one day post-inoculation about 85% of the total population was wild type (Fig. 2.5B). The same trend carried through day 8 when the wild type strain reached about 97% of the total population. In control experiments (Fig. S4) with strains co-inoculated into glucose defined media there was no significant difference between the percentage of strains in the population through logarithmic phase and in fact the Δdon mutant had a slight advantage in stationary phase. These results suggest that access to novel carbohydrate nutrient sources *in vivo* can be advantageous for survival at extraintestinal sites.

One important extraintestinal carbohydrate source for growth *in vivo* is transferrin which was rapidly deglycosylated during growth in the rat model. This was demonstrated by SDS-PAGE analysis of fluids removed from rat tissue cages over the course of the eight day experiment (Fig. 2.5C). The transferrin from uninoculated controls appeared as a single peptide species of about 80 kDa but by day one post-inoculation there were two transferrin peptides in samples from wild type infected animals and by day two nearly all of the transferrin was

converted to the smaller species. In contrast, samples from animals inoculated with the Δdon strain appeared unchanged at day one and by day two only a small portion of the transferrin was deglycosylated. Interestingly all of the transferrin in samples from wild type or mutant infected animals was deglycosylated by the end of the experiment on day eight (Fig. 2.5C). This result shows that the *don* locus plays an important role in the efficient deglycosylation of transferrin *in vivo*.

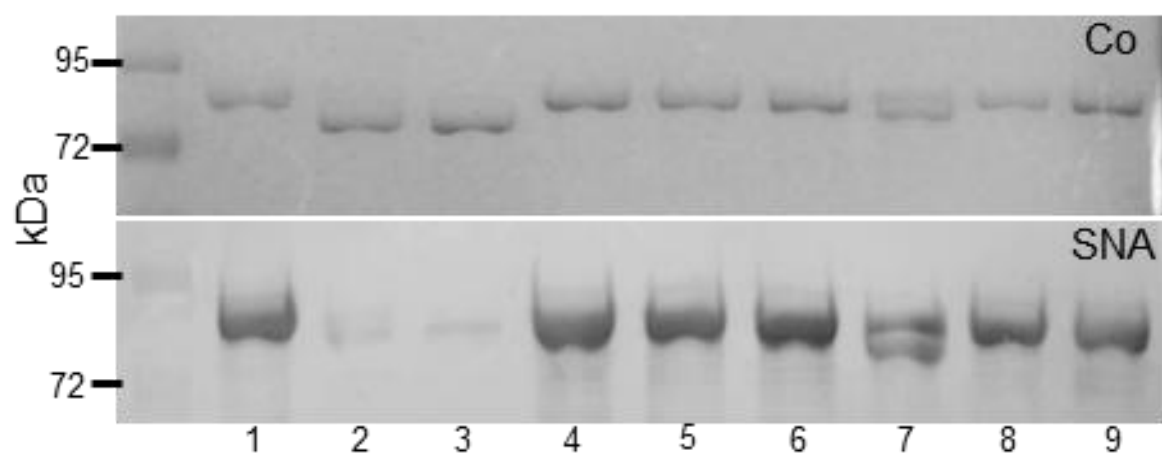
Fig. 2.5. Growth *in vivo* is enhanced by deglycosylation of transferrin. **A)** Growth curve for wild type (circles) and Δdon (squares) strains inoculated separately into rat tissue cages. **B)** Mixed culture competition assay. Mixtures of wild type (stippled bars) and Δdon (hatched marked bars) cells were prepared in a 1:1 ratio, inoculated into 5 rats and the CFU/ml determined. The percentage of wild type or Δdon cells was determined by screening the total cell counts for tetracycline resistant colonies. **C)** Coomassie blue- stained SDS-PAGE gel of serous fluid samples obtained following growth of strains in the rat tissue cage. Samples from the wild type (wt) and Δdon (Δ) strains were compared to uninoculated controls (un). The arrow indicates the migration of the glycosylated transferrin. The results are from two biological repeats and panel C shows a representative result.



2.5.6 Efficient transferrin deglycosylation is unique to *B. fragilis*.

B. fragilis is the most common *Bacteroides* species isolated from opportunistic infections at extraintestinal sites. The ability of six other intestinal *Bacteroides* species to deglycosylate human transferrin was tested by SDS-PAGE and SNA glycan staining. The results in Fig. 2.6 show that only the two *B. fragilis* strains were able to efficiently deglycosylate transferrin in the 3 hour assays. This was indicated by both the change in mass and the loss of SNA staining of the transferrin. No significant loss in SNA staining was seen for the other species except *B. vulgatus*. In this case the transferrin band appeared as a doublet with somewhat decreased staining intensity in the SNA blot (Fig. 2.6, lane 7). These data indicate that *B. vulgatus* deglycosylates transferrin inefficiently and that of the intestinal *Bacteroides* species tested only *B. fragilis* can rapidly remove the N-linked glycans from this abundant serum protein.

Fig. 2.6. Transferrin deglycosylation by medically important *Bacteroides* species. Human transferrin was used in standard 3 h deglycosylation assays with mid-logarithmic phase cells of *Bacteroides* species grown in DM-mucin glycan media. Samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE with Coomassie blue (Co) staining and on duplicate SDS-PAGE gels followed by SNA glycan-staining (SNA). 1, PBS; 2, *B. fragilis* (638R); 3, *B. fragilis* (ATCC 25285); 4, *B. thetaiotaomicron* (IB116); 5, *B. uniformis*; 6, *B. ovatus*; 7, *B. vulgatus*; 8, *Parabacteroides distasonis*; 9, *Parabacteroides merdae*.



2.6 Discussion

The intestinal microbiome has a complex, symbiotic relationship with its host that is maintained by a series of physical barriers and immunological processes designed to keep the microbial populations in check. When these barriers are breached, contaminating normally sterile body sites, the invading organisms must rapidly adapt to an environment with a challenging set of new physical, chemical, and nutritional parameters. In this study, we used a rat tissue cage model to gain a better understanding of the nutritional sources that opportunists such as *B. fragilis* might encounter in extraintestinal habitats. Expression microarrays showed that PUL genes were highly induced *in vivo* and the Don locus was induced more than any other genes *in vivo*. The carbon/energy sources available in the abdominal cavity are quite varied and complex so we were not surprised to see such a robust, complex response in PUL expression. A recent study of *B. thetaiotaomicron* PUL regulation during growth on mixtures of dietary glycans provides some insight into this response (22). The work showed that there is a rapid response to the influx of new glycan sources and that multiple PULs were simultaneously expressed in order to prioritize utilization of the most advantageous substrates. This required coordinated induction and repression of multiple systems working to maximize utilization of certain glycans although the rationale for prioritization is not yet entirely clear. Similarly *B. fragilis* growing in the rat tissue cage elicited a broad PUL response and in this case it seemed to be directed toward use of N-linked glycans found on host glycoproteins. The most abundant glycoprotein in tissue cage serous fluid is transferrin which is a significant substrate for the Don PUL. Many other glycoproteins present in the fluid also were targeted by the Don PUL (Fig. S3). Other PULs that were strongly induced in the microarray experiments also had

protein signatures consistent with the utilization of N-linked host glycans: BF638R0384-92 (β -N-1-4 acetylglucosaminidase + GH88 glycosidase); BF638R1323-30 (endo- β -N-acetylglucosaminidase + concanavalin A-like); BF638R0444-448 has member proteins with fibronectin binding domains.

A critical requirement for utilization of N-linked glycans is removal of terminal sialic acid residues and in a previous study it was shown that neuraminidase activity was necessary for robust growth in a rat pouch model similar to the tissue cage used in this report (86). An extensive region of the *B. fragilis* chromosome (BF638R1715-1740) seems to be devoted to sialic acid utilization and neuraminidase activity and this region has been shown to be required for optimal utilization of mucin (87). This gene cluster includes the *nanLET* operon (88), the *nanH* operon, and 5 standalone pairs of SusC/SusD orthologues. Our microarray data showed that regulation of these genes was complex but the entire region was induced on day 1 following inoculation of the tissue cage and for the most part remained elevated throughout (Appendix 2 and Fig. S2).

The hydrolysis of host glycoprotein glycans is an important characteristic of several bacterial pathogens and this has been proposed to be a mechanism for immune evasion as well as for nutrient acquisition. *Streptococcus pyogenes* secretes the archetypical GH18 family glycoprotein hydrolase, EndoS, which can efficiently hydrolyze the IgG glycan and significantly reduce IgG mediated killing of the bacteria in blood (89, 90). *Streptococcus pneumoniae* possesses several exoglycosidases that in combination deglycosylate IgA1, lactoferrin, human secretory component and α 1-acid glycoprotein, and it was shown that deglycosylation of α 1-

acid glycoprotein supported growth in the absence of other carbohydrates (91, 92). This ability may be linked to the persistence of *S. pneumoniae* in the nasopharynx. Likewise transferrin supports the growth of *B. fragilis* (Fig. 2.4) and is present in serum and serous fluid at 2-4 mg/ml so this would be an excellent source of fermentable carbohydrate for extraintestinal growth. Glycan harvesting also seems to be important for *in vivo* growth of *Capnocytophaga canimorsus* a member of the *Bacteroidetes* phylum and a common inhabitant of the oral cavity of dogs (93). *C. canimorsus* was able to deglycosylate fetuin and IgG *in vitro* using a Sus-like system and the deglycosylation activity was necessary to sustain growth with cultured mammalian cells.

A notable difference of the Don PUL and the glycosidase systems listed above is the inability to deglycosylate IgG or IgA. Several attempts with different sources of human IgG and IgA failed to demonstrate activity against these substrates (Fig. S5). This suggests that the Don system did not evolve for the need to inactivate immune clearance mechanisms. Further, it is well known that transferrin and lactoferrin also have antibacterial activity, largely due to their ability to sequester iron from the bacteria (94, 95). However, the glycosylation status of transferrin and lactoferrin has little effect on their ability to either bind iron or their receptors (96, 97). The Don PUL then does not seem to be designed to circumvent this element of the innate immune system.

A key finding of the work presented here was that rapid, efficient deglycosylation of transferrin and many other glycoproteins in serous fluid is mediated by the *don* genetic locus which is unique to *B. fragilis* among the medically important *Bacteroides* species. This was

demonstrated specifically for transferrin but may apply to the other serous proteins (Fig. 2.6, Fig. S3). Although not as efficient as wild type, the Δdon mutant was able to deglycosylate and utilize transferrin glycan at a slow rate. This was seen both *in vivo* and *in vitro* (Figs. 2.4, 2.5) and these results indicate a second transferrin deglycosylation system in *B. fragilis*. Other *Bacteroides* may have deglycosylation capabilities more similar to the Δdon mutant. For example, *B. vulgatus* showed some deglycosylation of transferrin after 3 h (Fig. 2.6) and results with a second strain of *B. thetaiotaomicron* showed some activity on transferrin after 3 h but failed to further deglycosylate the substrate even after overnight incubation (Fig. S6). We propose that the Don PUL is composed of 7 genes (Fig. S1). DonA and DonB are the regulators of the system encoding an ECF sigma factor and antisigma factor respectively. DonEFG are outer membrane proteins that bind and cleave glycans from the target glycoproteins. DonCD would work in tandem to transport oligosaccharides into the periplasm where the concerted effort of neuraminidases and other glycohydrolases release monosaccharides from the glycan chains (68).

The normal habitat for *B. fragilis* is the colon where it is in a persistent, mutualistic relationship with its host. The Don system must have evolved to provide a means by which to establish a specific niche in the gut or to help the organism maintain its competitive position. Several studies have indicated that *B. fragilis* are closely associated with the mucosa and that they penetrate the mucus layer to bind receptors deep in the crypts (98, 99). The *don* genes are significantly induced by a crude mixture of gastric mucin glycans in fact they were the most highly induced of all genes in mucin glycan medium (Appendix 2). One potential role for the Don PUL may be to harvest the high quality complex N-linked mucus glycans, [which make up

about 20% of mucus glycans (100)] as cells transit through the mucus layers to the crypts.

Other host associated N-linked glycan sources may become available to bacteria adherent in the crypts or the *don* operon may be shut down since *don* transcription is negligible in the absence of inducer. Koropatkin et al. (19) suggested that in the colon there are many “glycan microhabitats” and any given *Bacteroides spp.* has evolved to respond to a specific subset of these. If we define the glycan habitat of *B. fragilis* then we may gain further insight as to why the Don PUL potentiates the organism to so efficiently deglycosylate proteins in extraintestinal sites.

2.7 Supplementary Figures

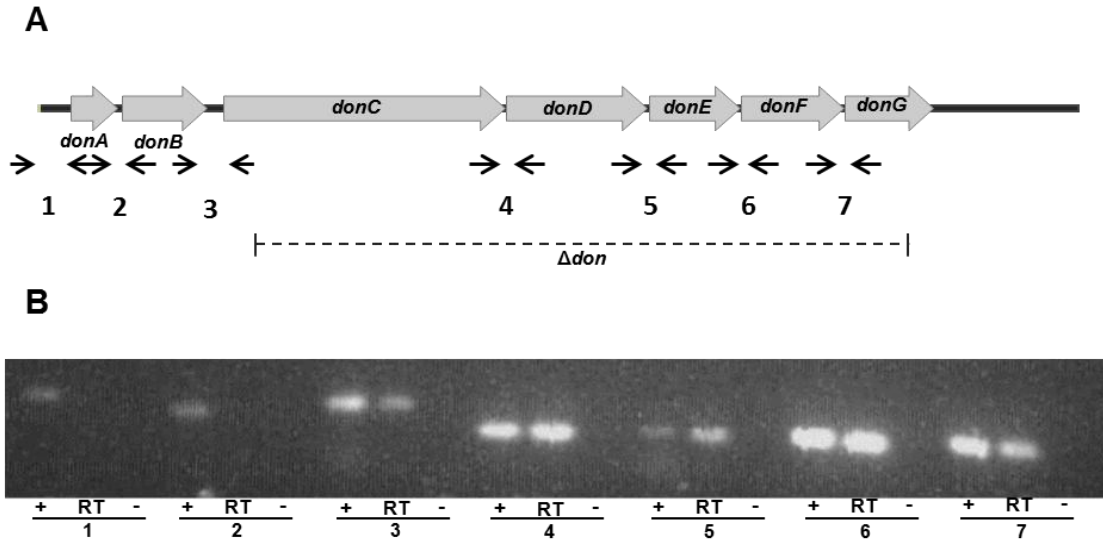


Fig. S1. Genetic map and RT-PCR analysis of the *donABCDEF* genes (BF638R3437-43). **A)** Schematic diagram of the predicted *donABCDEF* locus. The location of the Δdon deletion is shown with the dashed line. *donAB* are regulatory genes coding an ECF sigma factor and antisigma factor respectively. *donC* and *donD* code for the SusC and SusD orthologues respectively. The *donEFG* genes code for an endo-S-like endo-N-acetyl- β -D-glucosaminidase, a Concanavalin A lectin-like product with an α -N-acetylglucosaminidase domain, and a protein with a DUF 1735 domain common to acylhydrolases respectively. **B)** Agarose gel visualization of RT-PCR products performed with oligonucleotide primers specific for each intergenic region of the *donABCDEF* locus. Arrows below the schematic in panel A indicate the relative positions of primers used to amplify each intergenic region. “+”, positive control using genomic DNA; “RT”, complete RT-PCR reaction containing reverse transcriptase; “-”, negative control with reverse transcriptase omitted.

The RT-PCR results show a strong signal and linkage between the *donCDEF* genes. There also is a weaker linkage between the antisigma factor gene, *donB*, and *donC* which are separated by 182 bp. Although these two genes are linked, based on the microarray data and regulatory models for other PULs it is likely a second promoter is located upstream *donCDEF* that would act to amplify the expression of these structural genes under inducing conditions. Regulation of this locus is currently under investigation.

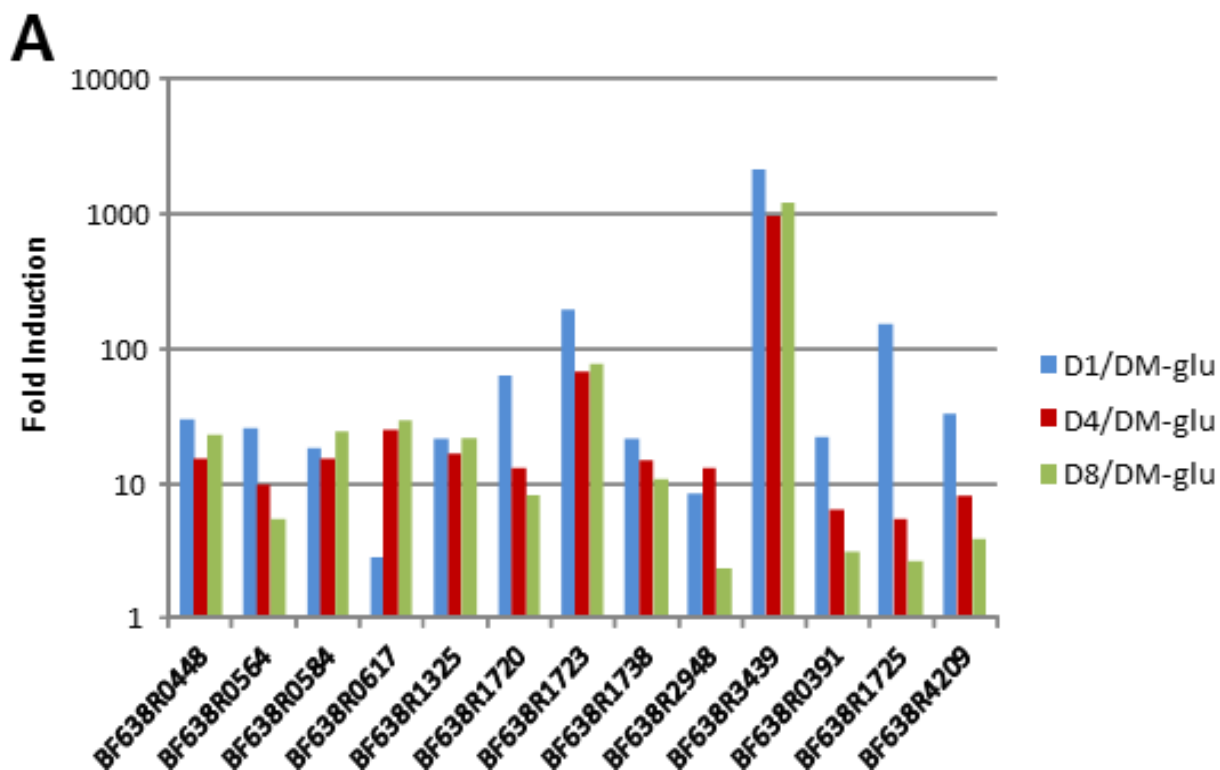


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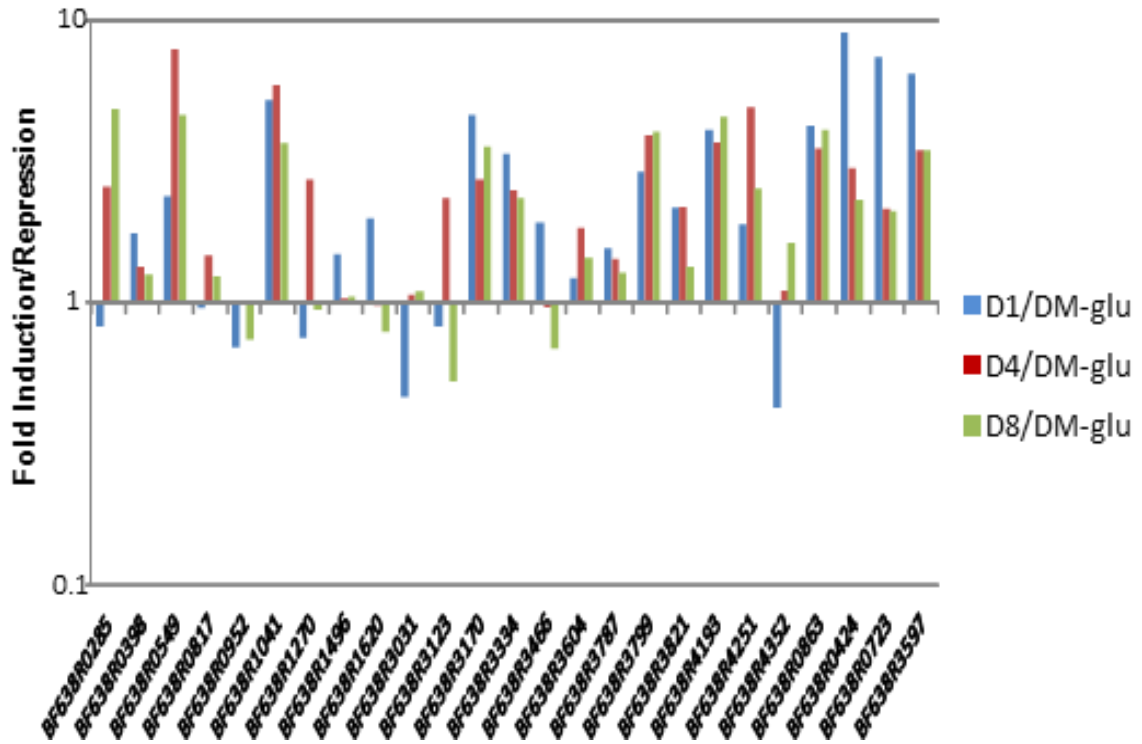
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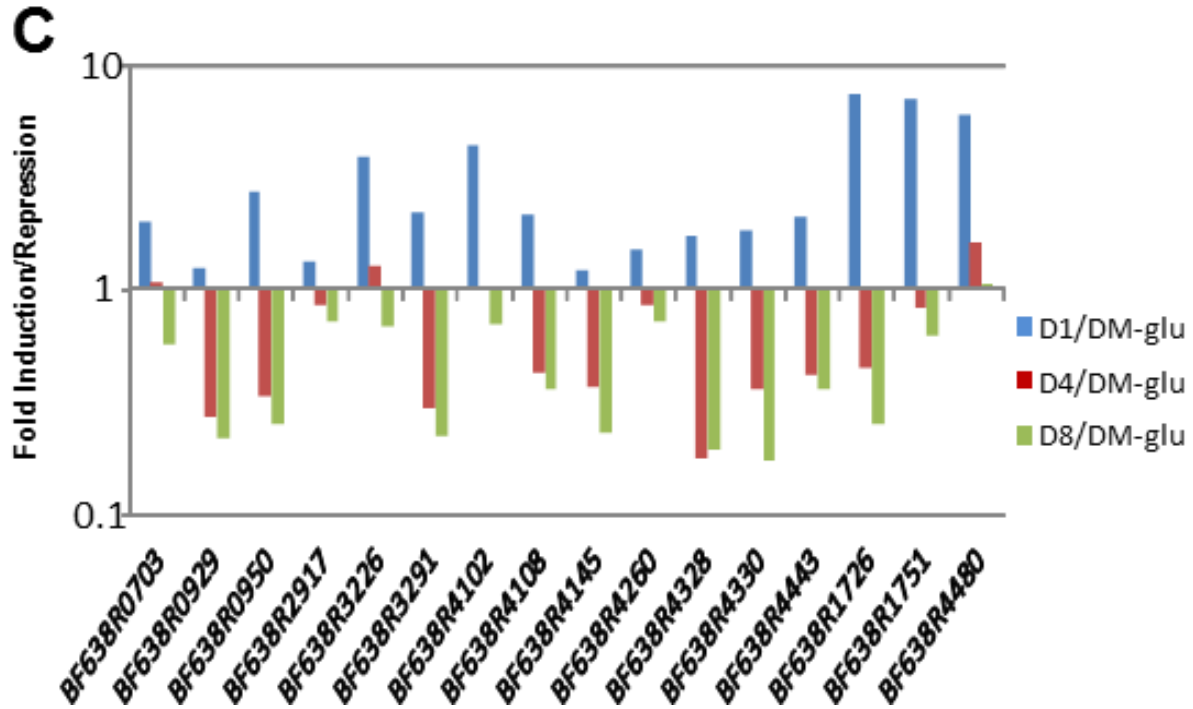


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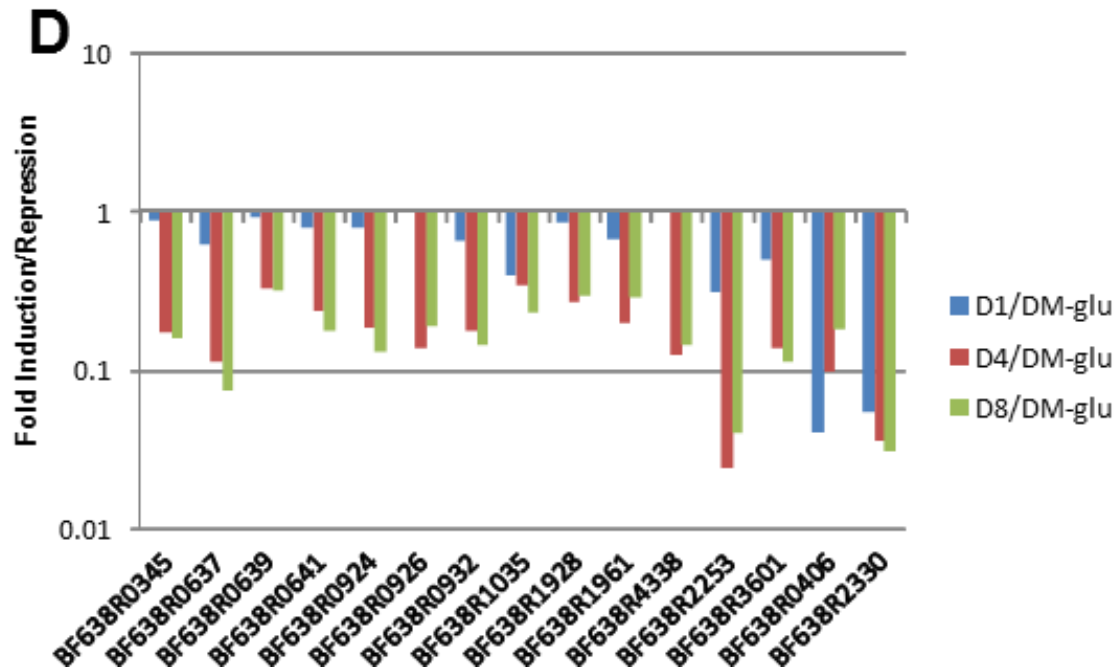


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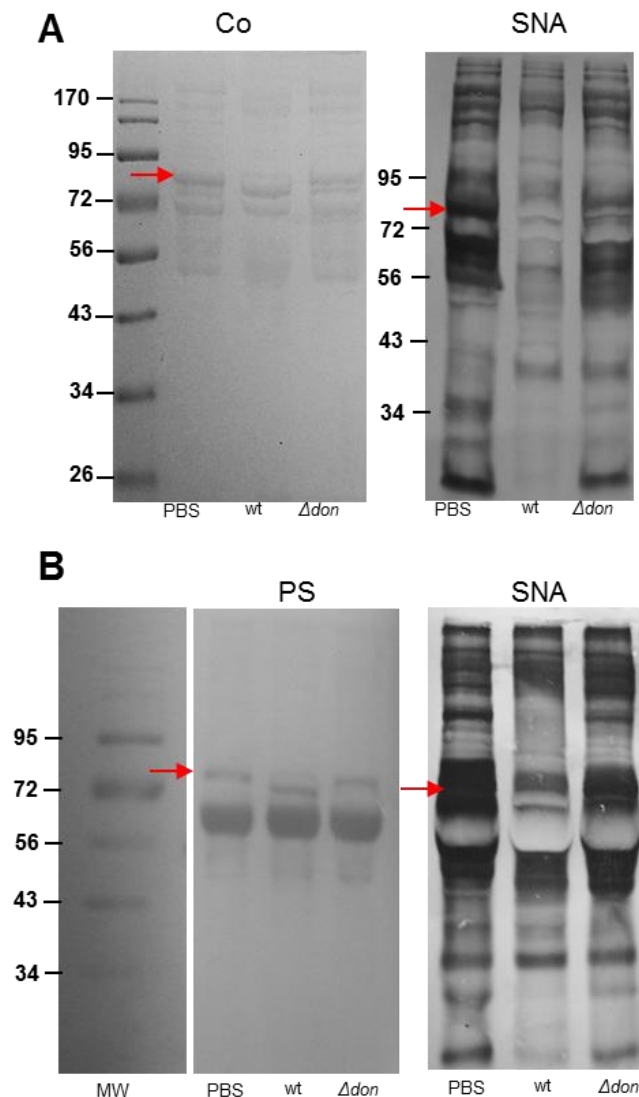


Fig. S3. Deglycosylation assays using total serous fluid proteins with serum albumin removed (**A**) or with serum albumin present (**B**). Standard deglycosylation analysis was performed with wild type (wt) or Δdon strains for 3 h. Samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE followed by protein staining with either Coomassie blue staining (Co) or Ponceau S (PS) or glycan staining SNA lectin. The arrows indicate the transferrin bands. Serum albumin was removed with the Qproteome Murine Albumin Depletion Kit, (Qiagen, Inc.).

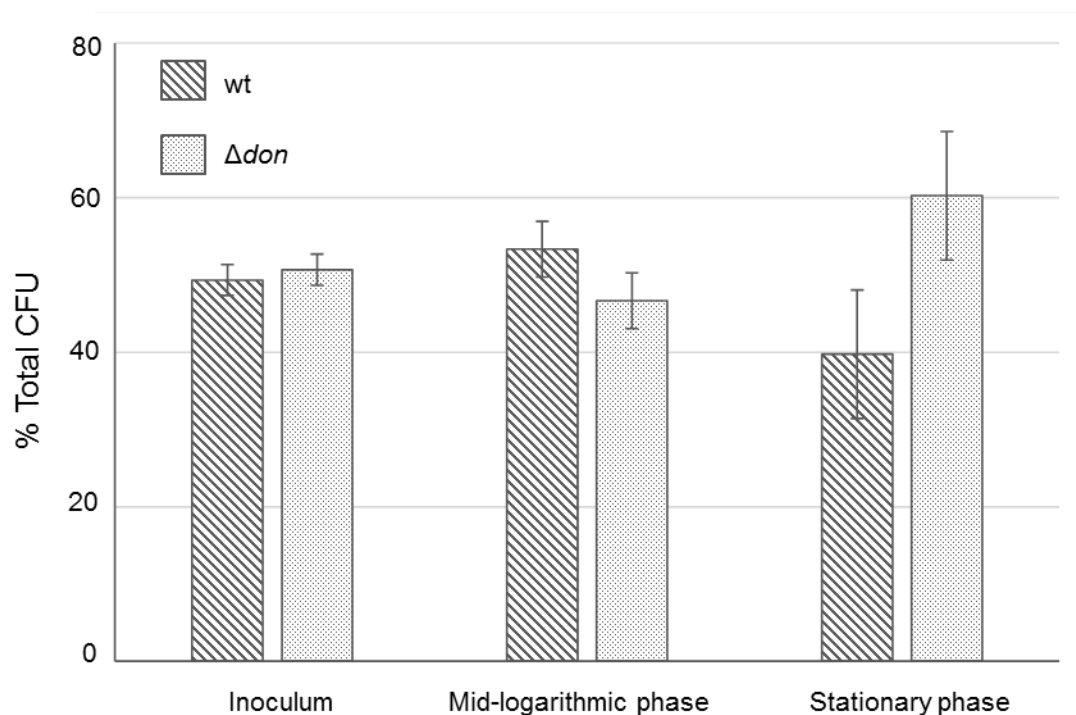


Fig. S4. *In vitro* competition assays in defined media with glucose. Mixtures containing a total of 4 ml of 10^5 CFU/ml of wild type and Δdon cells in a 1:1 ratio were inoculated into 25 mL of defined media with glucose. Aliquots of the cell mixture were removed from the inoculum, mid-logarithmic phase cultures and the stationary phase of the cultures. The percentage of Δdon among the total population was determined from the percentage of tetracycline resistant CFU counts among the total CFU counts.

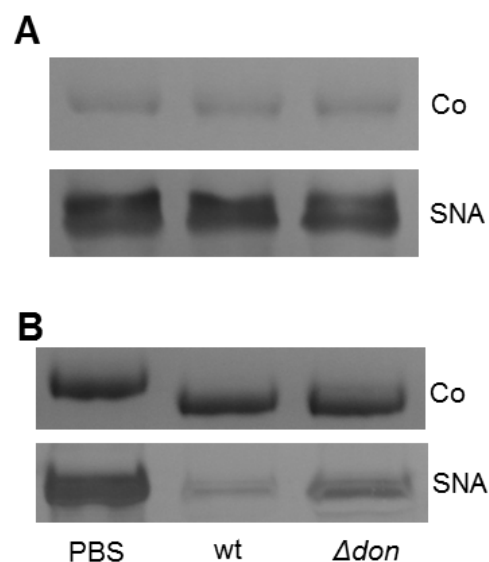


Fig. S5. Deglycosylation analysis of IgG and lactoferrin. **A)** Deglycosylation assay of human IgG by *B. fragilis*. Commercially prepared human IgG was mixed and incubated anaerobically at 37°C for 3 h with PBS or wild type or Δdon cells grown in an inducing DM-mucin glycan medium. Samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and subjected to Coomassie blue staining (Co) or SNA glycan-staining (SNA). **B.)** Deglycosylation analysis of lactoferrin. Commercially prepared human lactoferrin was mixed and incubated anaerobically at 37°C for 3 h with PBS or wild type or Δdon cells grown in an inducing DM-mucin glycan medium. . Samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and subjected to Coomassie blue staining (Co) or SNA glycan-staining (SNA).

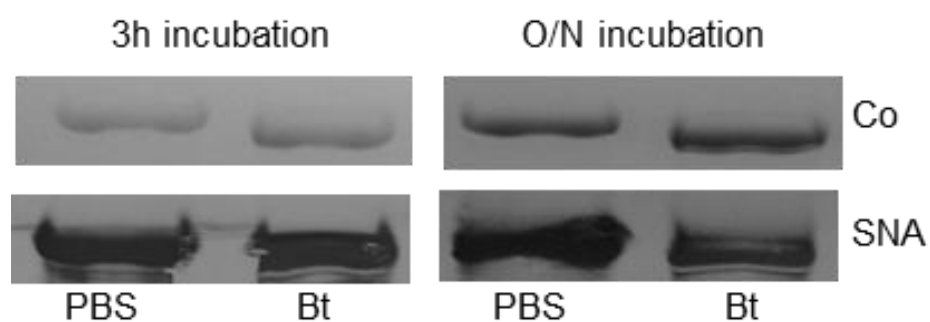


Fig. S6. Deglycosylation analysis of transferrin by *B. thetaiotaomicron* strain 5482. Commercially prepared human transferrin was incubated with PBS or wild type *B. thetaiotaomicron* cells (Bt) for 3 h or overnight (O/N) in standard deglycosylation assays. Cells used in the assays were grown to mid-logarithmic phase in DM-mucin glycan medium. Samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE followed by Coomassie blue staining (Co) or SNA glycan staining (SNA).

2.8 Addendum

In this chapter, it was shown that the *B. fragilis don* locus mediates the efficient deglycosylation of N-linked glycoproteins (Fig. 2.3, 2.5C, S3; Table 2. 3) both *in vitro* and *in vivo*. Deletion of the *don* locus led to a growth defect in DM with transferrin as the sole carbon/energy source and a selective disadvantage in the rat extraintestinal infection model (Fig. 2.4, 2.5). While we have shown a correlation between deglycosylation activity and growth advantage in the rat abscess, model, we have not proven that deglycosylation is the cause of this advantage *in vivo*. This is especially of interest because we deleted not only *donE*, which has predicted deglycosylation activity, but also *donF* and *donG*. These genes have unknown functions that might affect *in vivo* growth. In the future direction, two experimental designs can strength the causal relation between efficient deglycosylation of N-linked glycoprotein and the selective advantage in extraintestinal infection. First, point mutations of two active site residues on the endo- β -N-acetylglucoaminidase gene (*donE*) can abolish the deglycosylation activity of this enzyme (125) but keep the structure and other functions of the locus intact. If there is a real causal relation between the deglycosylation of N-linked glycoproteins and selective advantage in extraintestinal infection, the *donE* point mutant should show the same selective disadvantage phenotype as the *don* deletion mutant. Second, to rule out the possibility that the tetracycline resistant gene *tetQ* is responsible for the impaired *in vivo* growth/competency phenotype, a control strain will be constructed with only the *tetQ* gene inserted into the chromosome. If *tetQ* is not responsible for the selective disadvantage observed in the *don* deletion mutant, similar *in vivo* growth/competency should be observed between the wild type and the *tetQ* insertion mutant.

CHAPTER THREE: *BACTEROIDES FRAGILIS* PRIMARY TRANSCRIPTOME ANALYSIS

3.1 Introduction

B. fragilis has a genome of about 5.3 Mb and encodes approximately 4,300 genes. To gain insight not only on the gene expression profile but also the overall structure of individual mRNAs, differential massively parallel cDNA sequencing (dRNA-seq) was performed using RNA obtained from mid-logarithmic phase anaerobic *B. fragilis* cultures grown in rich media. The dRNA-seq approach was first done with the human pathogen *Helicobacter pylori* which has a small genome (101). In contrast to other RNA-seq methods, terminator-5'-phosphate-dependent exonuclease is used to treat the RNA samples before conversion to cDNA. By adding this step, the processed transcripts such as mature rRNA, tRNA and partially degraded mRNAs which have a 5' mono-phosphate (5'P) group are selectively degraded leaving only the RNAs with a 5' tri-phosphate (5'ppp) group such as primary transcripts including most mRNAs and small RNAs (sRNA) (101). By comparing the exonuclease treated samples to non-treated samples, it was possible to generate a single-nucleotide resolution map of the primary transcriptome of *B. fragilis*, allowing us to locate the transcription initiation sites (TIS) of individual transcripts, distinguish potential sRNAs, and confirm the -7 promoter consensus sequence for the primary sigma factor. Analysis of this primary transcriptome identified 1,657 TISs, and confirmed the recognition sequence for the *Bacteroides* primary sigma factor. In

addition, 176 putative sRNAs were discovered. These results demonstrate that the dRNA-seq technique is a good approach and has great potential for understanding some of the molecular aspects of *B. fragilis* gene regulation.

3.2 Materials and Methods

3.2.1 Total RNA Extraction

B. fragilis strain IB101 (BF638R) was grown at 37°C anaerobically in Brain Heart Infusion broth supplemented with hemin and cysteine (BHIS). Cells were harvested in mid-logarithmic phase at O.D. $A_{550} = 0.5$ for RNA extraction. RNA extractions from *in vitro* bacterial cell cultures were performed on washed cell pellets using the hot phenol method as described previously (82). RNA quality and integrity was checked by RNA-denaturing gel (1% agarose; 5.5% formaldehyde) electrophoresis.

3.2.2 Preparation of cDNA libraries and 454 pyrosequencing

Experiments were done by collaborator Jörg Vogel and lab members at University of Würzburg, Institute for Molecular Infection Biology, D-97080, Würzburg, Germany. The dRNA-seq was performed as previously described (101). Total RNA was treated by DNase I to eliminate residual genomic DNA. Equal amounts of IB101 RNA were either incubated with TerminatorTM 5'-phosphate-dependent exonuclease (TEX) (Epicentre #TER51020) or in buffer alone for 60 min at 30°C. 1 unit TEX per µg total RNA was used. RNA was extracted with

phenol/chloroform/isoamylalcohol (25:24:1 v/v) and then precipitated overnight with 2.5 volumes of an ethanol/0.1M sodium acetate (pH 6.5) mixture. Then the TEX treated RNA was incubated with 1 unit TAP (tobacco acid pyrophosphatase) (Epicentre, #T19100) for 1 hour at 37°C to generate 5'-mono-phosphates for linker ligation, and again purified by phenol/chloroform extraction and precipitation as above.

Equal amounts of TEX treated or untreated RNA were poly(A)-tailed using poly(A) polymerase, followed by ligation of an RNA adapter to the 5'P RNA fragment. First-strand cDNA was synthesized using an oligo (dT)-adapter primer and M-MLV-RNaseH⁻ reverse transcriptase. The reaction mix was incubated at 42°C for 20 min followed by 55°C for 5 min. The cDNA was amplified by PCR to yield a concentration of 20-30 ng/μl using a high fidelity DNA polymerase. Sequencing was performed on Roche 454 FLX machines at the MPI for Molecular Genetics (Berlin, Germany), and Roche Diagnostics GmbH (Penzberg, Germany).

3.2.3 Data Visualization

Linker and poly(A) sequences were removed from the sequencing results to reduce the background. cDNA inserts were mapped to the *B. fragilis* 638R genome using an error-tolerant suffix array technique (102). Graphs representing the number of mapped reads per nucleotide were calculated and visualized using the Integrated Genome Browser (IGB) version 4.56 software from Affymetrix (<http://genoviz.sourceforge.net/>).

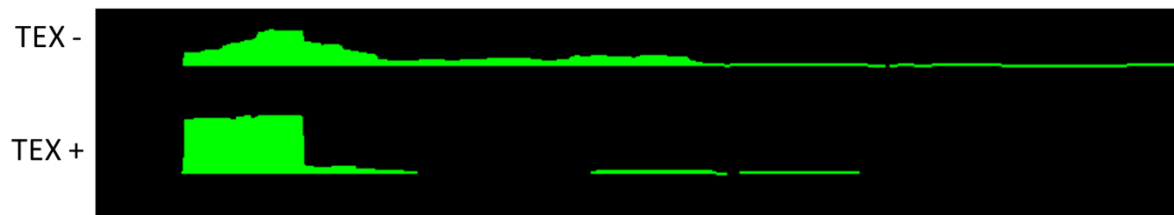
3.3 Results

3.3.1 Identification of *B. fragilis* TISs at a genome wide level

Degradation of the processed RNA (5'P transcripts) by TEX leads to an enrichment of the primary RNA (5'PPP transcripts) in the total RNA sample. Because in prokaryotic cells, RNA processing (including degradation) often causes a loss of the 5' region of a transcript (103), it is reasonable to assume that an enrichment of the primary transcripts will lead to an enrichment of the original (or intact) 5' ends of the transcripts (104). This was reflected by an increased signal at the 5' end of many transcripts on the TEX treated library compared to the untreated library. An example is shown in Fig. 3.1. Depletion of the processed RNAs by TEX leads to a characteristic change in the distribution of the total transcripts, as shown here for the BF638R_3589 mRNA. The most noticeable change is at the 5' end of the transcript where an increased number of reads are concentrated compared to the untreated library. This provides a reliable primary transcriptome map with a resolution to the single nucleotide level and thus can be used to identify the TIS of any transcript present for that specific growth condition. 1,657 primary transcripts were mapped for this growth condition (mid-logarithmic phase in rich medium), of which 838 were on the positive-strand and 819 were on the negative-strand. Analysis of the mapped primary transcripts is attached in Appendix 3.

Fig. 3.1. The transcript signal of the BF638R_3589 gene. *B. fragilis* strain IB101 was grown anaerobically in BHIS at 37°C to mid-logarithmic phase and RNA was prepared for dRNA-seq analysis as described in materials and methods. **A)** A comparison of the mapping signal histogram for TEX-treated and untreated samples of BF638R_3589 sRNA. **B)** A schematic diagram of the BF638R_3589 locus aligned with its signal on the transcriptome above. The TIS suggested by the dRNA-seq results is indicated by the +1 arrow and the -7 promoter consensus (TAXxTTTG) is also indicated.

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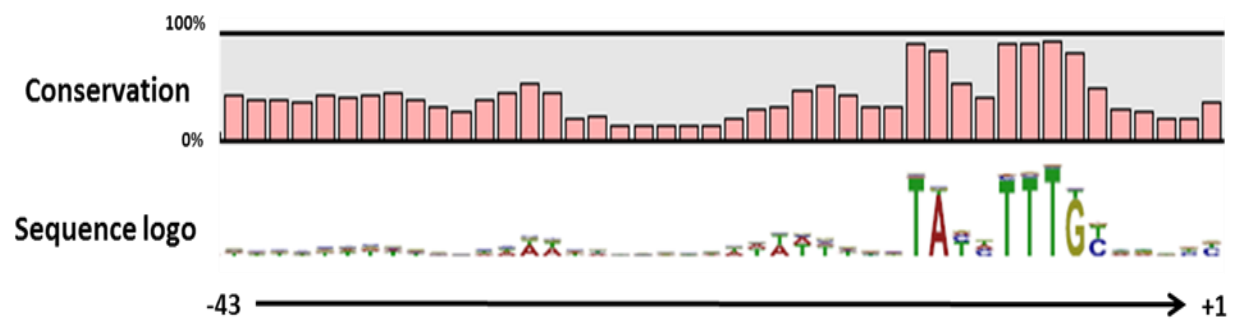


3.3.2 Confirmation of the recognition sequence for the *B. fragilis* primary sigma factor

The *Bacteroidetes/Flavobacteria* are known to have a primary sigma factor that recognizes a unique promoter structure. The *Bacteroidetes* equivalent to the classic Proteobacteria/Eubacteria -10 sequence is TAx_xTTTG (105, 106). Based on the TIS identified by the dRNA-seq results, sequences about 50 bases upstream of the TIS were aligned. The conserved promoter recognition sequence “TAx_xTTTG” was observed 5 to 10 bases prior the TIS in 1,428 of the 1,657 TISs observed (Fig. 3.2 and Appendix 3). These results confirmed the novel promoter consensus sequence for the *B. fragilis* primary sigma factor on a genome-wide scale.

Fig. 3.2. Logo for the promoter recognition sequence of the primary sigma factor in *B. fragilis*.

Primary transcriptome data were used to identify sequence about 50 bases upstream of the TIS sites. Sequences of 1,657 genes were aligned and analyzed using CLC Main Workbench v6.5 software.

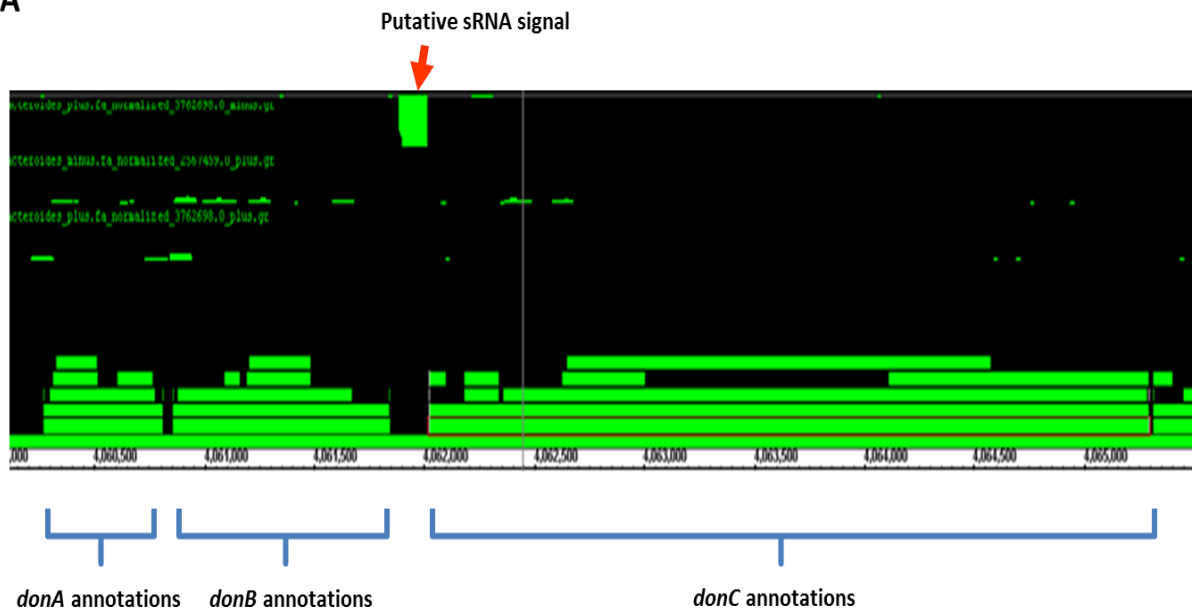


3.3.3 Discovery of putative small non-coding RNAs in the *B. fragilis* genome

Small non-coding RNA transcripts will have the enriched 5' signal in the TEX (+) library and are usually located in intergenic regions. 176 putative sRNAs were observed by these criteria. Interestingly, we observed a group of 14 putative sRNAs individually located in the intergenic region of 14 Sus-like PULs, including the *don* PUL described in chapter 2. The apparent sizes of these sRNAs range from 80 bases to 250 bases and they are divergently transcribed from the putative SusC-like porin of their respective PUL. Shown in Fig. 3.3 is a putative sRNA located in the *don* PUL. Characteristics of these PUL-associated sRNAs are presented in Table 4.5 in the next chapter (chapter 4).

Fig. 3.3. The putative sRNA in the intergenic region of the *don* PUL. **A)** The putative sRNA located in the *don* PUL visualized on the Integrated Genome Browser. The sRNA signal is indicated by the red arrow. The green bars are local alignment annotations for *donA*, *donB*, and *donC* respectively as indicated at the bottom. **B)** A schematic diagram showing the location and orientation of the putative sRNA in the intergenic region of the *don* PUL.

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3.4 Discussion

One major advantage of using the dRNA-seq technique is that it can generate a primary transcriptome that precisely shows TISs across the entire genome for the condition tested. It is considerably more efficient than other TIS identification methods such as primer extension or 5' RACE. Further, based on our observation it is at least equal in accuracy compared to primer extension. As shown in the results, a majority of the TISs mapped from the primary transcriptome data have the conserved *Bacteroides* primary sigma factor recognition sequence (TAXxTTTG) 5 to 10 bases upstream. This result supports the reliability of the TIS data since it is reasonable to expect that for the growth condition tested (37°C, anaerobic, rich medium, mid-logarithmic phase), many of the genes expressed would be transcribed by the primary sigma factor.

Another important feature of the primary transcriptome map is that putative sRNAs are readily identified due to the enrichment of their 5' signal and the reduced background noise from processed RNAs. Most interesting for this work, a group of 14 putative sRNAs were observed in the intergenic region of 14 PULs, including the *don* PUL described in chapter 2. Based on the locations and orientations of these putative sRNAs, they are likely to be *cis*-encoded antisense sRNAs that play a role in the regulation of the PUL they are in proximity to. The role of these sRNAs and their regulation mechanism will be the topic of the next chapter (chapter 4).

In this study, only the primary transcriptome in one growth condition was explored: 37°C, anaerobic, rich medium, mid-logarithmic phase cells. It will be much more informative

when the transcriptomes of different growth conditions are compared. In these cases, it is reasonable to expect that there will be changes in the mRNAs such as alternative TIS and alternative transcript termination sites. By comparing the primary transcriptomes of stressed and non-stressed cells, we may also detect some stress responsive sRNAs. All in all, primary transcriptome analysis is a useful tool and has great potential in understanding the molecular mechanisms of regulating *B. fragilis* physiology and pathogenesis.

CHAPTER FOUR: CHARACTERIZATION OF THE REGULATION MECHANISMS FOR THE *BACTEROIDES FRAGILIS* POLYSACCHARIDE UTILIZATION LOCUS, *DON*

4.1 Introduction

As one of the most abundant symbiotic bacteria in the human gut, *Bacteroides* species are well known for their extraordinary ability to utilize a wide range of diverse polysaccharides as their carbon/energy source. These include plant fiber glycans from dietary sources as well as host derived glycans in the form of glycoconjugates such as glycoproteins. This extensive catabolic ability is mediated by a large number of outer membrane complexes coded by discrete polysaccharide utilization loci (PULs). For example, one of the most abundant gut *Bacteroides* species, *B. thetaiotaomicron*, dedicates about 18% of its genome to PULs (62). The PULs in *Bacteroidetes* have a unique yet well-characterized operon structure that was first documented for the starch utilization system (Sus) of *B. thetaiotaomicron* (68). This consists of genes for an outer membrane protein complex that involves recognition, binding, processing and transport of its substrate glycan molecules. This outer membrane complex contains a SusC-like TonB-dependent transmembrane transporter and a SusD-like substrate binding protein while additional genes encoding specific substrate binding and processing proteins are usually present downstream of the SusD-like gene (62-66). Please see chapter 1 for a detailed review of the structure and functional mechanism of the *Bacteroides* Sus-like PULs. These PULs are

substrate specific, for example the prototype of these systems, the *B. thetaiotaomicron* Sus, only binds, processes and transports starch into the cell (22, 68). Expression of the PULs must be under precise control to avoid futile energy spending and envelope stress. Most of the PULs have regulatory genes located upstream from the SusC-like gene in the form of a two component regulatory phosphorelay or an ECF (extracytoplasmic function) sigma factor/ anti-sigma factor pair which is the most common regulatory mechanism. The SusC-like porin, ECF sigma factor and anti-sigma factor form a trans-envelope signaling pathway that provides a positive feedback loop; when the inducing glycan substrate is present in the environment, the SusC-like transporter will sense the signal and cause a conformational change of the anti-sigma factor followed by the release of the ECF-sigma factor and specific induction of the PUL. When there is no inducer substrate glycan for that particular PUL, the SusC-like porin will interact with the anti-sigma factor so that it will sequester the sigma factor and the expression of the system will switch back to an “off” state (62, 68).

B. fragilis is typical of the *Bacteroides* with more than 50 PULs. Interestingly, an analysis of the primary transcriptome for possible sRNAs, intense signals were observed in the intergenic regions between the SusC-like gene and the anti-sigma factor gene of 14 PULs. Please review chapter 3 for a description of the transcriptome analysis. Each of these sRNAs is antisense to the SusC-like gene in the operon in which they were found. There are two classes of antisense sRNAs in the prokaryotic systems: one is the *cis*-encoded antisense sRNAs that are located in the same chromosomal region and fully complementary to their target mRNAs over a long sequence stretch; and another class is the *trans*-encoded antisense sRNAs which are located in another more distant chromosomal region, only partially complementary to their

targets and usually need the small RNA chaperone Hfq to aid the sRNA-target interaction (107-110). Based on the location and orientation of the 14 PUL-associated sRNAs, we hypothesized that they are *cis*-encoded regulatory sRNAs that control the expression the specific PUL in which they were found. In this study, we used the *B. fragilis don* locus (please see chapter 2 for a detailed study on the function and characterization of *don* locus) as a model to understand PUL regulation in *B. fragilis*, by first elucidating the roles of the ECF-sigma factor and anti-sigma factor, and then by testing our hypothesis that the sRNAs play important regulatory roles in the *B. fragilis* PULs.

4.2 Materials and Methods

4.2.1 Bacterial strains and growth

Bacterial strains used in this study are listed in Table 4.1. *Bacteroides* strains were grown at 37°C anaerobically in Brain Heart Infusion broth supplemented with hemin and cysteine (BHIS) for routine cultures (55). *E. coli* strains were grown at 37°C aerobically in Luria-Bertani broth for routine cultures. Ampicillin (100 µg/mL), spectinomycin (50 µg/mL), rifampicin (20 µg/mL), gentamycin (100 µg/mL), erythromycin (10 µg/mL), tetracycline (5 µg/mL), trimethoprim (100 µg/mL), thymine (50 µg/mL) were added to the media when required (74). Minimal defined media (DM) were prepared as described previously with the specific carbon/energy source as mentioned in the text. Mucin glycans were prepared from porcine stomach mucin (Sigma-Aldrich, Cat. M2378) according to Eric C. Martens (20). All subcultures were done using a 2% inoculum of an overnight BHIS culture

4.2.2 Construction of *donA* and *donB* deletion mutants and the *donA* over-expression strain

The *donA* and *donB* mutants, IB559 and IB560 respectively, were constructed as unmarked and in-frame deletions to avoid potential polar effects. Briefly, chromosomal fragments of about 1.2 kb flanking *donA* were PCR amplified using primer pairs sigOK+2kL/sigOK+2kR and sigOK-2kL/sigOK-2kR respectively (Table 4.3). The amplified DNA fragments were cloned into the *B. fragilis* suicide vector pYT102 (14) by three-fragment ligation. The plasmid was mobilized into *B. fragilis* ADB77 (thyA⁻) using the *E. coli* helper strain HB101::RK231 (79), and the exconjugates were selected on BHIS plates containing rifampicin, gentamicin and tetracycline. Exconjugates were then allowed to resolve in BHIS medium supplemented with thymine for three days and then plated on trimethoprim-containing media. Sensitivity to tetracycline, resistance to trimethoprim, and PCR were used to confirm the double-crossover allelic exchange into the ADB77 chromosome. The mutant construction was finalized by reversion of the strains from thyA⁻ to thyA⁺ (14). The *donB* mutant was made in the same way with the primer pairs anti-sigOK+2kL/anti-sigOK+2kR and anti-sigOK-2kL/anti-sigOK-2kR (Table 4.2). The *donA* over-expression strain IB558, was made by PCR amplifying the *donA* gene using primer pairs sigOK-340L/sigOK-340R. Primer sigOK-340L contains a strong ribosomal binding sequence from the *B. fragilis* *ahpC* gene to facilitate expression. The amplified fragment was inserted to the *Bacteroides-E.coli* expression shuttle vector pFD340 (Table 4.2) downstream of the constitutive IS4351 promoter sequence. The recombinant plasmid was then mobilized into the wild type *B. fragilis*, BF638R, using the *E.coli* helper strain RK231.

4.2.3 Construction of DonS silencing mutant (IB561) and DonS over-expression strain (IB563)

DonS silencing was achieved by changing its core promoter sequence “TTTG” to “AAAC” through site-directed mutagenesis. First a 1301bp chromosomal fragment covering the entire *donS* region was amplified and the TTTG in the core promoter sequence was replaced with AAAC by using overlapping PCR with the mutagenic primer pairs sRNA117+L/sRNA117+R(AAACmut) and sRNA117-L(AAACmut)/sRNA117-R [Table 4.2; sRNA117+R(AAACmut) and sRNA117-L(AAACmut) are complementary to each other]. The mutated fragment was cloned into the suicide vector pYT102. The allelic exchange mutation was selected as described above for *donA* except that colony-PCR followed by nucleotide sequencing of the PCR fragments was used to screen for the mutation after resolving the exconjugates in BHIS plus thymine media. The DonS over-expression strain, IB563, was constructed by cloning the *donS* gene downstream of an 82 bp 16s rRNA promoter sequence into a multiple copy vector. Briefly, the primer pair sRNA117-L/sRNA117-R1 was used to amplify the *donS* sequence with 36 bp of 16s rRNA promoter sequence engineered into the sRNA117-L primer, upstream of the *donS* sequence. Then this PCR product was used as a template in a PCR amplification performed with primer pair 16sPR-36-82/sRNA117-R1. The primer 16sPR-36-82 includes an additional 46 bp adjacent to and upstream of the 36 bp fragment of the 16s rRNA promoter sequence. The final product contained the *donS* sequence downstream of the 82 bp of the 16s rRNA promoter sequence (111, 112). The final PCR product was cloned by replacing the DNA fragment between the SacI site and PstI site on the plasmid pFD340. The recombinant plasmid was mobilized into *B. fragilis* strains using the *E.coli* helper strain HB101::RK231.

Exconjugates were selected on BHIS media containing rifampicin, gentamycin and erythromycin.

4.2.4 Total RNA extraction, cDNA synthesis and qRT-PCR

Total RNA was extracted from cell pellets using the hot phenol method described previously (82) and stored in 50% formamide at -80°C. Total RNA was purified using the RNeasy Mini Kit (Qiagen, Inc.) and DNA was removed by treatment with DNase (Ambion/Life Technologies Inc.). DNA contamination was determined by PCR using specific primers for the 16s ribosomal RNA gene (Table 4.3). First strand cDNA synthesis was carried out using 1 µg total RNA with random hexamer primers and Superscript III RT (Life Technologies, Inc.). For qRT-PCR, primer pair, omp117rtL and omp117rtR, were used to amplify a 140 bp fragment of the *donC* gene in a standard reaction mixture with SYBR^R Green Supermix (Bio-Rad, Inc.). All sample reactions were in run in triplicate and RNA with no reverse transcriptase was used as a control to monitor for DNA contamination. Relative expression values were normalized to 16s rRNA and calculated by the method of Pfaffl (83). Results represent at least two independent experiments performed in triplicate.

Expression microarray analyses were performed essentially as described previously (58). Double stranded cDNA was synthesized with the SuperScript^R Double-Stranded cDNA Synthesis Kit (Life Technologies, Inc.). One µg of purified double stranded cDNA was then labeled with cy3, hybridized to microarray slides, and processed by the Florida State University Roche/NimbleGen Microarray Facility. Each trial consisted of a high-density-oligonucleotide

whole genome expression microarray (Roche/NimbleGen, Madison WI) with 8 technical replicates of each probe per slide. Raw microarray expression data were normalized by using the RMA algorithm implemented with the Roche DEVA 1.1 software.

4.2.5 Northern blot analysis

Northern blot analyses were performed as described previously (113). Briefly, 10 µg of RNA was separated on a 10% denaturing polyacrylamide gel containing 7 M urea and 1X TBE (89 mM Tris-base, 89 mM boric acid and 2 mM EDTA). The low-molecular-weight DNA ladder (NEB, cat. N3233S) was labeled with [γ -³²P]-ATP and polynucleotide kinase, and used as the size standards. Following electrophoresis in 1X TBE buffer, the ladder and RNA samples were transferred to an Amersham HybondTM-N⁺ membrane (GE Healthcare, cat. RPN303B) in 1X TBE buffer. The samples were UV-cross-linked to the membrane, and the membrane was pre-hybridized in hybridization buffer (ULTRAhyb[®]-Oligo Buffer, Ambion, cat. AM8863) for 3 h at 43°C on a rocking shaker. The oligonucleotide probes specific for each small RNA species were end-labelled with [γ -³²P]-ATP and polynucleotide kinase. The radiolabelled probes were incubated with the pre-hybridized membranes at 43°C on a rocking shaker overnight (~ 12 h). The membranes were then washed three times for 30 min each with 2X SSC (300 mM sodium chloride and 30 mM sodium citrate), 1X SSC and 0.5X SSC, respectively, at 43°C on a rocking shaker. All SSC wash buffers contained 0.1% sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS). The membranes were then exposed to X-ray film and visualized by autoradiography.

Table 4.1. Bacterial strains used in this study.

Bacterial strains	Description or genotype ^a	Reference or source
IB101	<i>B. fragilis</i> , Clinical isolate 638R, Rif ^r	(75)
ADB77	<i>B. fragilis</i> , strain 638R, Δ thyA,, Rif ^r , Tp ^r	(14)
DH10B	<i>E. coli</i> , F ⁻ mcrA Δ (mrr-hsdRMS-mcrBC) Φ 80lacZ Δ M15 Δ lacX74 recA1 endA1 araD139 Δ (ara leu) 7697 galU galK rpsL nupG λ ⁻	Invitrogen
HB101::RK231	<i>E. coli</i> , HB101 containing RK231, Kan ^r , Tet ^r , Sp ^r	(79)
IB558	<i>B. fragilis</i> , strain 638R, <i>donA</i> overexpressed on pFD340, Rif ^r , Erm ^r	This Study
IB559 (Δ donA)	<i>B. fragilis</i> , strain 638R, Δ donA, Rif ^r	This Study
IB560 (Δ donB)	<i>B. fragilis</i> , strain 638R, Δ donB, Rif ^r	This Study
IB561	<i>B. fragilis</i> , strain 638R, DonS silenced by promoter sequence mutation, Rif ^r	This Study
IB563	<i>B. fragilis</i> , strain 638R, DonS overexpressed on pFD1244, Rif ^r , Erm ^r	This Study

^aRif^r, rifampin resistance; Tet^r, tetracycline resistance; Sp^r, spectinomycin resistance; Erm^r, erythromycin resistance; Tp^r, trimethoprim resistance; Kan^r, kanamycin resistance.

Table 4.2. Plasmids used in this study

Plasmid	Description ^a	Reference of source
pYT102	P15A ori, RP4 oriT; <i>B. fragilis</i> suicide vector, thyA ⁺ , (Cm ^r), Tet ^r	(14)
pFD340	<i>Bacteroides-E.coli</i> expression shuttle vector, (Amp ^r), Erm ^r	(114)
pFD1243 (pFD340_ <i>donA</i>)	<i>B. fragilis</i> expression vector, generated by inserting the cloned <i>donA</i> gene with ahpC ribosomal binding site downstream the IS4351 promoter on pFD340	This Study
pFD1244	<i>B. fragilis</i> expression vector, generated by replacing the IS4351 promoter on pFD340 with an 82 bp 16s rRNA promoter sequence and the <i>donS</i> gene	This Study

^aCm^r, chloramphenicol resistance; Tet^r, tetracycline resistance; Amp^r, ampicillin resistance; Erm^r, erythromycin resistance. For *Bacteroides-E. coli* shuttle vectors, parentheses indicate antibiotic resistance expression in *E. coli*.

Table 4.3. Oligonucleotides used in this study^a.

Name	Sequence (5' → 3')	Tag	Description
sigOK+2kL	AGTC <u>GGATCC</u> CCGATGGTTACATCTACGATC	BamHI	Designed to amplify a 1283 bp upstream fragment of <i>donA</i> gene
sigOK+2kR	AGTC <u>CTGCAG</u> CGCTTTGACTTTGGGATAAGTC	PstI	
sigOK-2kL	AGTC <u>CTGCAG</u> CACATCTATTTGGCACTAATCG	PstI	Designed to amplify a 1231 bp downstream fragment of <i>donA</i> gene
sigOK-2kR	GCAT <u>AAGCTT</u> TAACGCAAAGAATTC	HindIII	
Omp117rtL	GGTGAAGGCATTTCCGACTT		Designed to amplify a 140 bp fragment of <i>donC</i> gene for quantitative PCR
Omp117rtR	TTGCCTTCCTGCCCTTTCTT		
16srL	GATGCGTTCCATTAGGTTGTTG		Designed to amplify a 127 bp fragment of 16s ribosomal RNA gene for quantitative PCR
16srR	CACTGCTGCCTCCCGTAG		
anti-sigOK+2kL	CACG <u>AAGCTT</u> GCGTACAGTA	HindIII	Designed to amplify a 1393 bp upstream fragment of <i>donB</i> gene
anti-sigOK+2kR	AGTC <u>CTGCAG</u> GGCAAACAGACGGATGATTC	PstI	
anti-sigOK-2kL	AGTC <u>CTGCAG</u> GTTGTGGGAGGATTCAGTCAT	PstI	Designed to amplify a 1296 bp downstream fragment of <i>donB</i> gene
anti-sigOK-2kR	AGTC <u>GGATCC</u> CTCCGTATTGTTGGAGATCGA	BamHI	
sigOK-340L	AGTC <u>GGATCC</u> AAATAAGAAACAATT ATGATTTTAAATAACGAGTCTAATAAGAAG	BamHI	Designed to amplify the <i>donA</i> gene with the <i>ahpC</i> gene ribosomal binding site upstream
sigOK-340R	AGTC <u>GAGCTC</u> AGGTGTGACTGATTACTCAA	SacI	
sRNA117+L	AGTC <u>GGATCC</u> GTCAGCCATTTCATTGTCAGA	BamHI	Designed to amplify a 693 bp DNA fragment including <i>donS</i> sequence with its -7 "TTTG" change to "AAAC"
sRNA117+R (AAACmut)	AAATAGACTTTAATCGATAAAAATTCATAGAAAACAAC GAATTTTAGTGTTAAATCATAATATTTATTTCC		
sRNA117-L (AAACmut)	GGAAATAAATATTATGATTTAACTAAAATTCGTTGT TT TCTATGAATTTTATCGATTAAAGTCTATTT		Designed to amplify a 679 bp DNA fragment including <i>donS</i> sequence with its -7 "TTTG" change to "AAAC"
sRNA117-R	AGTC <u>GGATCC</u> CTGCTGAACACTGTAACCTCA	BamHI	
sRNA117-L	TTGTCTCTTATCTCCTAATGCCTTACTTTTGCATCCCGA ATTTTAGTGTTAAATCATAATATTTATTTCC		Designed to amplify the <i>donS</i> sequence with an 82 bp 16s rRNA promoter fragment sequence tagged upstream.
sRNA117-R1	AGTC <u>GAGCTC</u> GGATTCAGTCATGAACTGAAG	SacI	
16sPR-36-82	AGTCCTGCAGTTTACGTTTTTATTCAAATATTTTCAAA AAAATCCCCTTTTATATTTGTCTCTTATCTCCTAATGCC	PstI	

^aTag sequences are underlined.

Table 4.3. Oligonucleotides used in this study (continued).

Name	Sequence (5' → 3')	Tag	Description
DonSP	GCCACCTGATTCCGGATATGAAATCTGAAT		Probe for small RNA DonS
0549P	GGTGGCACACTTCCGGCTCCGGGTAAACAA		Probe for small RNA 0549
1041P	CCTTGTGAGCTTGTTTGGCGACAAGCTGAGA		Probe for small RNA 1041
1270P	GGTCTGGTACACCTTCCCTCCCGATAAAGTCAA		Probe for small RNA 1270
1469P	TGAGAATGCCGATAGGTGTTCCCGCACCTA		Probe for small RNA 1469
1035P	ATTGGCGTATCTACCTGTATGAAAGTCCACCGTC		Probe for small RNA 1035
2917P	ACATATTGGGGTATGTCCTCCGATTCAGAA		Probe for small RNA 2917
3123P	CACCCATTTCCGATCCCCGAAATCAATCAA		Probe for small RNA 3123
3597P	CTGAGTTTTTTTAATCACGTCTCTTGCAGGAGGCGC		Probe for small RNA 3579
3604P	CCTCATATCATCCAACCCCTGATTAGATTAACTACG		Probe for small RNA 3604
4145P	CAGATGCGCCAACACCTGCCAACCTCGGGT		Probe for small RNA 4145
5srRNAP	CACTGTTACGCAGTACCATCGGCGTGATCA		Probe for the 5s ribosomal RNA

4.3 Results

4.3.1 BF638R_3437 and BF638R_3438 encode regulators of the *don* operon

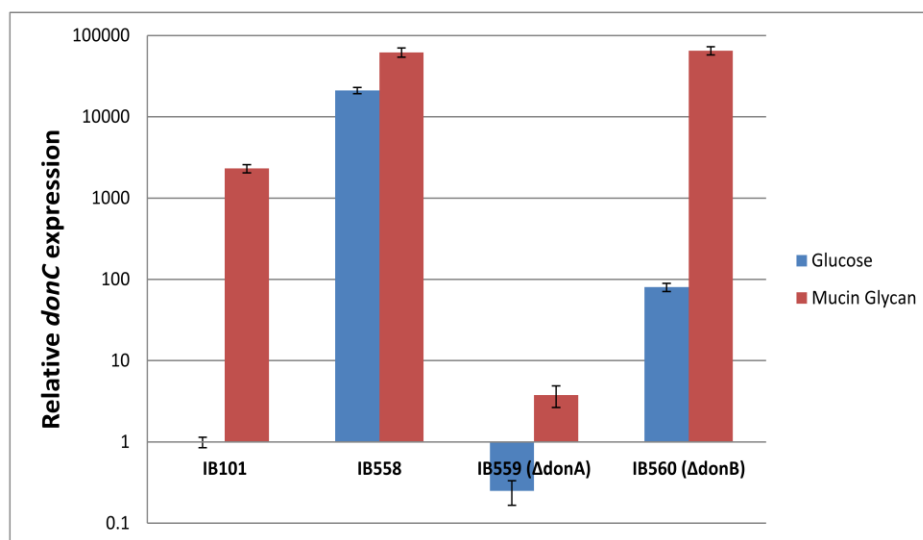
The typical genetic organization of the *Bacteroides* PULs includes regulatory genes adjacent to the *susC* orthologues. In the case of the *don* PUL, there is an ECF sigma factor homolog BF638R_3437 (*donA*) and an anti-sigma factor homolog BF638R_3438 (*donB*) which appear immediately upstream from *donC* (Fig. 4.1A), suggesting that they are the regulators of this PUL. To confirm their roles in regulation, in-frame deletion mutants for both *donA* and *donB* were constructed, and a *donA* overexpression strain was made by cloning the gene on an expression plasmid, under the control of a constitutive promoter. The relative expression level of *donC* was determined for the wild type strain and genetically modified strains in glucose defined medium (non-inducing medium) and mucin glycan defined medium (inducing medium). The expression of *donC* in the wild type strain under non-inducing conditions was as low as background levels and used as the baseline against which the expression in other strains and conditions was compared. As shown in Fig. 4.1B, *donC* expression was highly induced in the wild type when grown in mucin glycan medium. When *donA* was overexpressed on the plasmid, *donC* levels were high even in the non-inducing medium compared to the wild type, and it was induced to the highest levels observed when grown in the inducing medium. When the sigma factor homolog was deleted from the cell, induction of *donC* expression was abolished even when grown in the inducing condition. The anti-sigma factor deletion mutant, $\Delta donB$, was able to highly express *donC* in the inducing medium similar to the *donA* overexpression strain, but

Fig. 4.1. Relative expression of *donC* in different *B. fragilis* strains under non-inducing and inducing conditions. **A)** A schematic diagram of the *B. fragilis don* operon. **B)** qRT-PCR analysis of *donC* expression. RNA samples were obtained from mid-logarithmic phase cultures of the wild type strain (IB101), the *donA* overexpressing strain (IB558), *donA* deletion mutant (IB559) and *donB* deletion mutant (IB560). qRT-PCR were performed in triplicate. The *donC* expression level in the wild type strain under non-inducing condition (glucose defined medium) was used as a control. Results are the average of two biological repeats. Error bars represent standard deviations.

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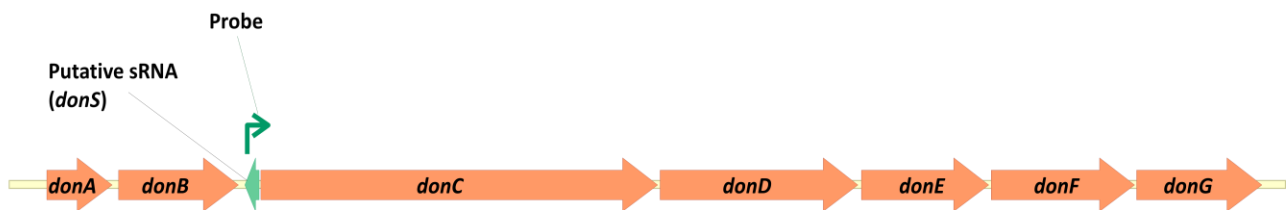
there was about an 80-fold up-regulation in the non-inducing medium compared to the wild type strain. From these data it is clear that the sigma factor homolog *donA* and anti-sigma factor homolog *donB* act as an activator and a repressor respectively and work coordinately in the regulation of the *don* operon expression in response to the presence of the substrate nutrients.

4.3.2 A small non-coding RNA is divergently transcribed from the *donC* gene.

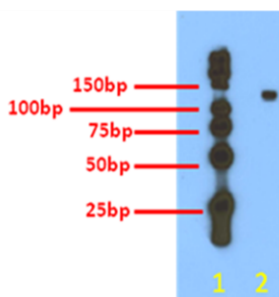
As described in chapter 3, when analyzing the primary transcriptome data of cells grown under standard growth conditions in BHIS medium, a group of putative sRNA signals in 14 PULs were identified, including one in the *don* PUL. Based on the primary transcriptome map, all these putative sRNAs are located immediately upstream from, and divergently transcribed from the SusC orthologues of each of the 14 PULs (see chapter 3 Fig. 3.3). To verify the existence of the sRNA in the *don* PUL, northern hybridization analysis was performed using an oligonucleotide complementary to the putative sRNA sequence shown in the primary transcriptome map as the probe (Fig. 4.2A). As shown in Fig. 4.2B, a sRNA species about 125 nucleotides long was clearly detected by northern blot analysis.

Fig. 4.2. A small, non-coding RNA is divergently transcribed from the *donC* gene. A) A schematic diagram of the sRNA location and orientation in the *don* PUL. The probe used to detect this sRNA is indicated by the green arrow. **B)** Northern blot confirmation of the sRNA species. 10 µg of total RNA from a *B. fragilis* mid-logarithmic phase culture grown in BHIS medium was electrophoresed for analysis. Lane 1, γ -³²P labeled low molecular weight DNA ladder. Lane 2, sRNA detected by the γ -³²P labeled probe. **C)** Sequence analysis of the sRNA region in the *don* PUL. The TIS and -7 promoter sequence of the sRNA are underlined and indicated by “+1” and “-7”. The DonC coding sequence is in blue and the sRNA sequence is in Red. The sRNA sequence was determined from the transcriptome analysis (see chapter 3).

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AATATATTGATTTGTTTAACCTTAAAAACAACGTGTTAGTATGTAAAAAAGT
ATCCGAAAGAGGGCGGCCACCTGATTCCGGATATGAAATCTGAATTCTTTG
CGTTAAAGCTTATGCTTTACTTTTGGGAAATAAATATTATGATTTAACACT
      +1      -7
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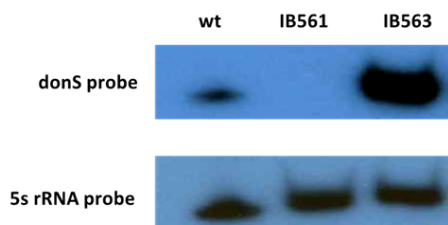
This sRNA is divergently transcribed and located immediately upstream from *donC*. The TIS (from primary transcriptome data) of the sRNA is only 9 bases from the *donC* start codon and is adjacent to a consensus primary sigma factor recognition sequence (Fig. 4.2C). The location and orientaton of this sRNA suggests that it is a cis-encoded antisense RNA that plays a role in regulation of the *don* PUL. Since this sRNA is in the *don* PUL, it was designated DonS.

4.3.3 DonS is a *cis*-encoded antisense RNA that negatively regulates the *don* operon.

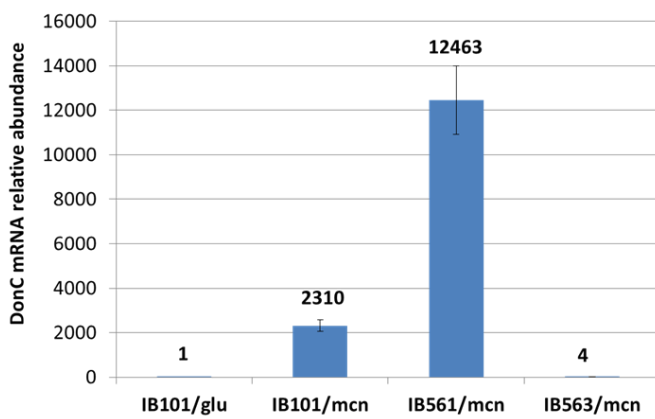
The location and orientation of DonS suggests that it is a regulator for the *don* PUL. To explore this role, a DonS silencing strain (IB561) and a DonS overexpression strain (IB563) were constructed. As shown in Fig. 4.3A, the sRNA northern blot confirmed that DonS expression was abolished in IB561 and DonS was highly overexpressed in strain IB563. To test the effect of DonS on *don* expression, qRT-PCR was performed to check the *donC* transcript level. As before, the expression of *donC* in the wild type strain under non-inducing condition (glucose defined medium) was used as a baseline control. The results in Fig. 4.3B show that expression of *donC* was up-regulated further in strain IB561 in the inducing condition (mucin glycan defined medium) compared to the wild type. In contrast, *donC* expression in strain IB563 decreased to background levels even for cells grown in the inducing condition. Gene expression microarray analysis (Fig. 4.3C) showed similar trend as the qRT-PCR analysis. Taken together, these results indicated that DonS acts as a negative regulator for the *don* PUL expression.

Fig. 4.3. DonS is a negative regulator of the *don* expression. **A)** sRNA northern blot. DonS expression is abolished in IB561, and highly overexpressed in IB563. 5s rRNA was used as a loading control. 10 µg of total RNA was analyzed for each sample. γ -³²P labeled probes (Table 4.3) were used for detection. **B)** qRT-PCR analysis of *donC* expression in the wild type, DonS silencing mutant and DonS overexpression mutant. qRT-PCR reactions using *donC* primers were performed in triplicate. The *donC* expression level in wild type strain grown under non-inducing condition (glucose defined medium) was used as a baseline. Results are the average of two biological repeats. Error bars represent the standard deviation. glu, cells grown in glucose defined medium; mcn, cells grown in mucin glycan defined medium. **C)** Gene expression microarray analysis result of *donC* expression in wild type, DonS silencing mutant and DonS overexpression mutant. The *donC* expression level in wild type under non-inducing condition (glucose defined medium) was used as a baseline. glu, cells grown in glucose defined medium; mcn, cells grown in mucin glycan defined medium.

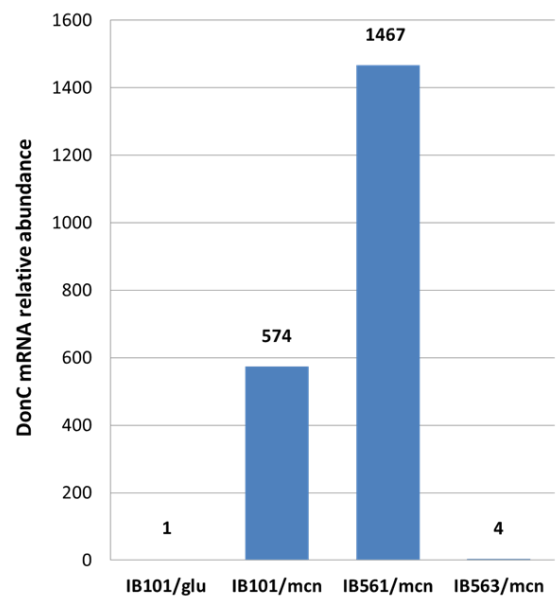
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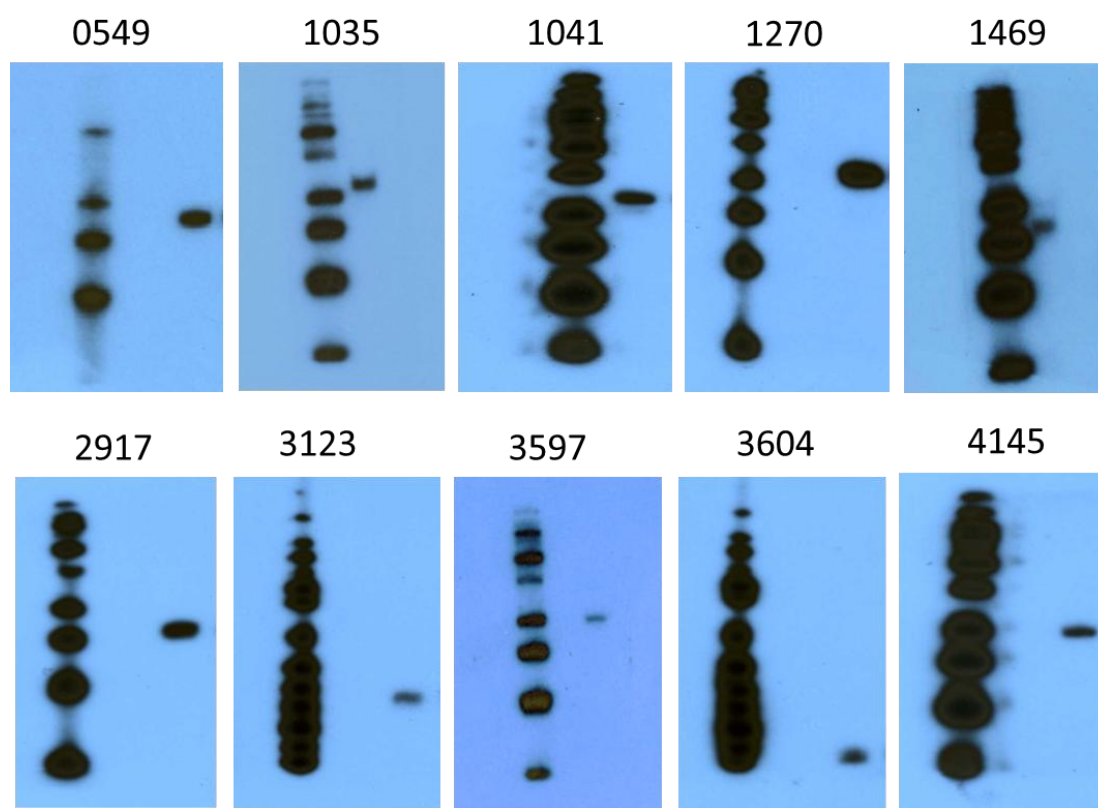
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4.3.4 DonS-like sRNAs are found in other PULs of *B. fragilis*

As mentioned in chapter 3, a group of putative sRNA signals in 14 PULs was identified when analyzing the primary transcriptome data of *B. fragilis*. To confirm the existence of the other sRNAs in this group, probes were designed for 10 of these (Table 4.4) and northern blots performed. As shown in Fig. 4. 4, 10 sRNAs with size range from 75 bases to 130 bases in this group were confirmed by northern blot analysis. These sRNAs have been named according to the SusC-like gene they are adjacent to. The other three putative sRNAs in this group (BF638R_3799, 3787 and 3821) will be tested in the future.

Fig. 4.4. Northern blot confirmation of the DonS-like sRNAs in *B. fragilis*. 10 µg of total RNA from mid-logarithmic phase cultures grown in BHIS medium was loaded each lane for analysis. The left lane of each panel is γ -³²P labeled low molecular weight DNA ladder. The right lane of each panel shows the specific sRNA species to that PUL using γ -³²P labeled probes specific to that sRNA (Table 4.3). The numbers above each panel are the BF638R gene designation of the SusC-like gene of each PUL.



This group of DonS-like sRNAs have several common features. First, they are all divergently transcribed from the *susC* homolog of the PUL. Their orientation and proximity to the *susC* homolog makes it likely that these are cis-encoded antisense sRNA that will negatively regulate that PUL expression like DonS. Second, they all have the *B. fragilis* primary sigma factor -7 promoter recognition sequence “T_AxxTTTG” 5 to 9 bases upstream of their TIS and they are relatively abundant as estimated from the primary transcriptome data and the northern blot results. Third, many of the PULs in which they are located may be involved in utilization of host glycans as shown for Don. The evidence for this is that some of these PULs contain genes for glycoside hydrolase that target glycosidic linkage specific for host derived glycans. For example, *donC* in the *don* PUL encodes an endo-beta-N-acetylglucosaminidase homolog which specifically hydrolyzes the glycosidic bond between the two N-acetylglucosamine residuals on the host complex N-linked glycoproteins such as transferrin. A summary of these DonS-like sRNAs is shown in Table 4.4.

Table 4.4. Characteristics of the DonS-like sRNAs in *B. fragilis*. Except DonS, these sRNAs have been named according to the specific *susC* homolog from which they are divergently transcribed.

Name	Confirmed by northern blot	Approx. Size (nucleotides)	Glycosyl hydrolase in the PUL	Potential substrate of the PUL
DonS	Yes	125	Endo- β -N-acetylglucosaminidase	Complex N-linked serum glycoproteins (confirmed)
0549	Yes	95	Unknown function	N/A
1035	Yes	127	Unknown function	N/A
1041	Yes	103	Arylsulfatase	Glycosaminoglycan
1270	Yes	100	Sulfatase	Glycosaminoglycan
1496	Yes	100	Unknown function	N/A
2917	Yes	75	β -glucoside glucohydrolase	N/A
3123	Yes	90	Chitinase	Glycans contain N-acetylglucosamine repeats
3597	Yes	97	Sulfatase	Glycosaminoglycan
3604	Yes	140	Chitinase	Glycans contain N-acetylglucosamine repeats
3787	No	95	Sialidase & Neuraminidase	Glycoproteins or gangliosides
3799	No	98	Arylsulfatase	Glycosaminoglycan
3821	No	105	*Laminin G	Glycosaminoglycan
4145	Yes	97	β -Galactosidase	N/A

* Laminin G is a protein domain which specifically binds to some type of glycosaminoglycans such as heparin (115).

4.4 Discussion

This study clearly showed that the ECF sigma factor and anti-sigma factor genes, *donA* and *donB*, encode regulators for the downstream outer membrane complex genes in the *don* PUL. Constitutive over-expression of *donA* in the absence of inducing substrate significantly induced transcription of the *donBCDEFG* operon. In contrast, deletion of *donA* completely abolished expression of the operon regardless of the presence of inducing substrate. In the anti-sigma deletion mutant $\Delta donB$, there was an 80 fold increase in *donC* expression compared to the wild type in non-inducing condition. This level of induction is significant but it is not comparable to induction in the wild type under the inducing condition (several hundred to several thousands). This low induction could be due to the fact that the anti-sigma factor DonB is a FecR type regulator which interacts with its cognate sigma factor to fully activate the sigma factor's function in a process called sigma factor maturation (116). Notably, *donC* expression in the anti-sigma deletion mutant was induced to the same level as the sigma over-expression mutant under the inducing condition, seemingly like the presence of substrate can overcome the lack of sigma maturation. The increased expression of *donC* in the presence of substrate in all of the three modified strains, the sigma factor deletion strain, anti-sigma deletion strain and sigma factor over-expressing strain, suggests a possibility that the substrate is involved in second pathway to boost the Don complex expression.

The existence of a group of *cis*-encoded antisense sRNAs associated with some of the Sus-like PULs in *B. fragilis* was demonstrated in this report. Each of these sRNAs is divergently transcribed from a SusC-like outer membrane transporter gene on a Sus-like PUL. The sRNA in

the *don* PUL, named DonS, was used as a model and we found this sRNA is likely a *cis*-acting regulatory sRNAs that negatively effects the expression of the downstream outer membrane complex genes. Small regulatory RNAs can affect gene expression in many different ways, including transcriptional and translational regulation (107-110, 117). As showed previously in chapter 2, *donBCDEFG* are transcribed in one operon. When antisense sRNAs are organized between two genes on the same messages such as *donS* in *don*, they usually repress downstream gene expression by transcriptional termination in which the sRNA binds the nascent mRNA and forms a termination loop, causing RNA polymerase to stop further transcription of the message (117, 118). It is very likely that DonS represses the *don* operon expression through a similar mechanism, since our microarray analyses showed that under inducing conditions, *donCDEFG* expression was completely abolished in the DonS over-expressing strain the while the *donB* gene was still normally induced. This could be tested by using northern blot analysis to check the effect of DonS on the *donBCDEFG* message.

Evidently, the presence of the sRNA DonS adds another layer to the regulation of the *don* PUL expression. Different from the ECF sigma/anti-sigma pair DonA/DonB, DonS expression does not respond to the presence of the *don* PUL substrate and it appeared to be constantly expressed at a relatively high level during logarithmic growth phase. However, we observed a significant decrease in DonS expression when cells were grown into stationary phase in defined glucose media (data not shown). This differential expression of DonS could be a response to the varieties of stresses when cells enter stationary phase. It has been well-known that sRNAs can be implicated in integrating environmental stress signals and regulating a plethora of stress responses including temperature stress, metabolite/nutrient stress, envelope/outer membrane

proteins (OMPs) stress, oxidative stress, iron deficiency stress and anaerobic stress (119). Here we suspect these DonS-like sRNAs respond to metabolite/nutrient starvation or perhaps envelope stress. The reason for this is that the genes under control of these sRNAs are PULs which are involved in nutrient uptake and they contain multiple OMPs.

It is also interesting to notice that many of this group of sRNAs may be specialized to regulate PULs which are involved in host derived glycan utilization. This hypothesis is supported by the presence of host derived glycan hydrolases in these PULs. As shown in Table 4. 5, among the PULs which contain a DonS-like sRNA, two encode sulfatases, two encode arylsulfatases, and one encodes a laminin G. Sulfatases and arylsulfatases has been implicated in hydrolysis of the sulfate linkages on various types of glycosaminoglycans (GAGs) (120), while laminin G is a protein globular domain which possess heparin binding activity (115). One PUL in this group encodes a chitobiase homolog, which specifically hydrolyzes oligomer, trimer and dimer of N-acetylglucosamine molecules into monomers (121, 122). Another PUL in this group encodes two sialidase/neuroaminidase homologs, indicating its substrates are host glycoproteins or glycolipids rather than plant derived glycans (123). The potential substrates of these glycosyl hydrolases, as well as the confirmed glycan substrates of Don (chapter 2), suggest that these DonS-like sRNA regulated PULs are specifically involved in host derived glycan utilization. Notably, by enabling *B. fragilis* to utilize different host glycans, this group of PULs may indirectly affect the body site-specific colonization and growth of the bacterium in its host. For example, we demonstrated in chapter 2 using a rat model that the Don PUL acts as an extraintestinal growth factor by enabling the bacterium efficiently utilization of N-linked serous glycoprotein glycans. Another example is the PUL BF638R_3602-3606 which has a DonS-like sRNA

divergently transcribe from the BF638R_3604 gene (Fig. 4.4; Table 4.4). A recently study showed that this PUL allows *B. fragilis* to establish a resilient colonization in a specific niche within the colonic crypts that serves as a reservoir for stable gut colonization, so it has been named the Commensal Colonization Factor (CCF) (98).

Future directions for this project will be, first, test the hypothesis that DonS has an effect on the *donBCDEFG* message using northern blot analysis. Second, characterize another sRNA-PUL system to support our idea that actually these DonS-like RNAs are regulators of their adjacent PULs, and these PULs are involved in host glycan utilization in *B. fragilis*. Third, explore the possible stress conditions that these DonS-like sRNAs respond to. Forth, since these DonS-like sRNAs have the same -7 promoter sequence, we would like to explore if there is a master regulator for all of them and the possible phenotype when the regulation of the sRNAs are abolished.

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APPENDIX 2: INDUCTION AND REPRESSION OF *B. FRAGILIS* 638R PUL GENES IN VIVO AND IN VITRO

*All values were calculated from the expression microarray data deposited at the NCBI GEO, accession # GSE53883. *B. fragilis* 638R wild type cells were grown in vitro in defined medium with either 0.4% glucose (DM-G) or 2% mucin glycans (DM-M). *B. fragilis* 638R cells were grown in vivo in the rat tissue cage for 1 (D1), 4 (D4), or 8 (D8) days. Values given in columns C-F are the ratios (induction or repression) of the RNA normalized Log2 expression values obtained from at least two biological replicates.

Gene	FUNCTION	*DM-M/DM-G	D1/DM-G	D4/DM-G	D8/DM-G
BF638R0283	exported alpha-galactosidase	0.84	0.90	1.70	2.85
BF638R0284	conserved hypothetical exported protein	0.84	0.60	1.28	2.08
BF638R0285	SusC-like	0.61	0.82	2.58	4.84
BF638R0286	regulatory protein	0.80	0.61	19.93	15.68
BF638R0287	ECF-type sigma factor	1.10	0.74	0.83	1.09
BF638R0288	exported alpha-galactosidase	1.63	0.94	1.18	0.86
BF638R0345	SusC-like	2.29	0.85	0.17	0.16
BF638R0346	lipoprotein	1.96	0.70	0.38	0.34
BF638R0347	exported protein	2.14	0.40	0.23	0.24
BF638R0348	exported protein	2.18	0.91	1.03	0.75
BF638R0349	exported endo-arabinase	0.79	0.69	0.75	0.65
BF638R0384	conserved hypothetical exported protein	1.99	1.61	0.40	0.33
BF638R0385	beta-galactosidase	2.23	2.29	0.24	0.18
BF638R0386	exported beta-hexosaminidase	5.52	3.61	0.35	0.32
BF638R0387	conserved hypothetical exported protein	5.99	4.49	0.44	0.78
BF638R0388	exported hydrolase	5.17	4.79	0.86	0.80
BF638R0389	conserved hypothetical protein	4.17	6.56	4.08	3.39
BF638R0390	exported protein	20.14	12.38	4.37	3.01
BF638R0391	SusC-like	37.20	21.85	6.25	3.07
BF638R0392	two-component system sensor histidine kinase	1.22	3.45	3.54	2.64
BF638R0393	two-component sensor histidine kinase	1.78	11.73	3.31	2.65
BF638R0394	conserved hypothetical exported protein	1.41	8.51	4.32	3.41
BF638R0395	conserved hypothetical exported protein	1.27	2.73	1.72	1.52
BF638R0397	exported protein	1.28	1.92	1.39	1.40
BF638R0398	SusC-like	1.22	1.74	1.33	1.26

BF638R0406	SusC-like	0.03	0.04	0.10	0.18
BF638R0407	outer membrane protein	0.06	0.10	0.21	0.30
BF638R0421	exported protein	4.32	3.75	1.32	1.30
BF638R0422	exported protein	5.70	4.33	1.56	1.23
BF638R0423	outer membrane protein	10.43	6.80	1.52	1.50
BF638R0424	SusC-like	15.08	8.96	2.96	2.29
BF638R0425	two-component system sensor histidine kinase/response regulator fusion protein	1.82	16.18	2.42	2.01
BF638R0444	possible exported xanthan lyase/N-acetylmuramoyl-L-alanine amidase	4.30	2.57	0.83	0.69
BF638R0445	cation symporter	4.23	18.45	12.65	12.29
BF638R0446	conserved hypothetical exported protein	4.93	6.79	11.61	14.21
BF638R0447	conserved hypothetical lipoprotein	44.85	25.01	10.22	16.46
BF638R0448	SusC-like	55.44	30.24	14.86	22.53
BF638R0546	melibiase	1.65	0.86	1.79	1.94
BF638R0547	glycosyl hydrolase, alpha-xylosidase	2.40	0.86	0.91	0.89
BF638R0548	outer membrane protein	2.16	0.99	1.19	0.85
BF638R0549	SusC-like	2.97	2.36	7.81	4.60
BF638R0550	anti-sigma factor	1.40	0.73	18.21	6.61
BF638R0551	ECF-type RNA polymerase sigma factor	1.42	1.62	0.50	0.63
BF638R0555	ATP-binding component of ABC transporter	0.42	0.23	0.13	0.27
BF638R0556	ABC transporter	0.47	0.32	0.25	0.51
BF638R0564	SusC-like	21.32	25.78	9.83	5.33
BF638R0565	conserved hypothetical protein	9.58	13.48	4.87	3.46
BF638R0566	arylsulfatase	6.60	6.71	2.58	1.69
BF638R0582	RNA polymerase ECF sigma factor	0.91	0.66	0.92	1.08
BF638R0583	anti-sigma factor	1.18	0.79	2.15	3.34
BF638R0584	SusC-like	3.30	18.29	14.87	23.79
BF638R0585	outer membrane protein	2.65	8.11	8.98	14.03
BF638R0586	conserved hypothetical protein	2.50	5.69	4.39	6.85
BF638R0614	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor	1.54	1.30	2.48	3.91
BF638R0615	anti-sigma factor	1.33	0.43	1.62	1.24
BF638R0616	conserved hypothetical protein	1.32	1.77	6.72	6.50
BF638R0617	SusC-like	2.19	2.80	24.96	29.00
BF638R0618	outer membrane protein	2.06	2.16	9.34	14.91
BF638R0619	beta-galactosidase	1.44	0.71	1.71	3.31
BF638R0620	glycosyl hydrolase	1.32	0.64	0.84	1.39
BF638R0621	glycosyl hydrolase/xylanase	1.30	0.83	0.86	1.32
BF638R0636	conserved hypothetical protein	0.52	0.64	0.12	0.08
BF638R0637	SusC-like	0.57	0.60	0.11	0.07
BF638R0638	membrane protein	0.53	0.99	0.33	0.29

BF638R0639	SusC-like	0.58	0.91	0.32	0.31
BF638R0641	SusC-like	0.70	0.77	0.23	0.17
BF638R0642	lipoprotein	0.65	0.85	0.30	0.23
BF638R0643	GTP-binding protein	0.69	0.30	0.48	0.38
BF638R0644	conserved hypothetical protein	0.62	0.52	0.28	0.24
BF638R0645	aminopeptidase	0.96	0.41	0.16	0.16
BF638R0703	SusC-like	3.60	1.94	1.04	0.55
BF638R0704	conserved hypothetical protein	2.61	1.39	0.66	0.36
BF638R0705	conserved hypothetical exported protein	2.20	1.31	0.80	0.59
BF638R0706	conserved hypothetical exported protein	1.66	0.94	0.43	0.23
BF638R0722	conserved hypothetical lipoprotein	3.17	6.13	1.76	1.95
BF638R0723	SusC-like	3.85	7.41	2.15	2.09
BF638R0724	alpha-1,2-mannosidase precursor	2.84	6.11	2.05	1.62
BF638R0725	alpha-1,2-mannosidase precursor	3.03	7.13	3.62	3.16
BF638R0726	anti-sigma factor	0.77	2.23	3.46	4.25
BF638R0727	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor	0.59	1.17	0.65	0.43
BF638R0728	alpha-1,2-mannosidase precursor	0.64	1.17	0.96	0.85
BF638R0816	glycosyl hydrolase	1.68	0.74	2.88	3.75
BF638R0817	SusC-like	1.96	0.96	1.47	1.24
BF638R0818	outer membrane protein	1.13	0.69	1.06	0.83
BF638R0819	lipoprotein	1.08	0.51	1.00	0.97
BF638R0858	secreted sulfatase	1.50	2.38	0.31	0.26
BF638R0859	possible alpha-galactosidase	1.34	2.98	0.32	0.24
BF638R0860	conserved hypothetical protein	2.02	2.38	0.66	0.43
BF638R0861	sulfatase	4.55	2.10	2.88	2.00
BF638R0862	conserved hypothetical protein	3.68	3.97	3.52	4.19
BF638R0863	SusC-like	4.95	4.21	3.53	4.12
BF638R0864	two-component system sensor histidine kinase/response regulator fusion protein	0.99	0.87	0.57	0.43
BF638R0920	beta-glucosidase	4.59	1.69	1.59	1.37
BF638R0921	cytochrome c binding protein	2.95	0.71	0.47	0.40
BF638R0922	transmembrane protein	2.41	3.45	1.04	0.81
BF638R0923	outer membrane protein	6.39	1.63	0.80	0.62
BF638R0924	SusC-like	7.44	0.78	0.18	0.13
BF638R0925	conserved hypothetical protein	1.14	1.45	0.32	0.38
BF638R0926	SusC-like	1.16	1.01	0.14	0.18
BF638R0927	possible outer membrane protein	2.34	1.34	0.31	0.37
BF638R0929	SusC-like	2.80	1.21	0.27	0.22
BF638R0930	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor	0.62	0.58	0.52	0.63
BF638R0931	anti-sigma factor	5.77	0.82	11.63	6.73
BF638R0932	SusC-like	3.68	0.64	0.17	0.14
BF638R0933	possible outer membrane protein	3.76	0.66	0.40	0.33

BF638R0949	conserved hypothetical protein	3.16	2.27	0.54	0.35
BF638R0950	SusC-like	4.16	2.69	0.33	0.25
BF638R0951	conserved hypothetical protein	1.43	0.82	1.04	1.61
BF638R0952	SusC-like	2.06	0.69	1.01	0.74
BF638R1032	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor	0.80	1.33	2.93	2.41
BF638R1033	anti-sigma factor	1.65	1.13	5.94	3.39
BF638R1035	SusC-like	1.12	0.39	0.34	0.23
BF638R1036	conserved hypothetical protein	1.10	0.37	0.12	0.10
BF638R1037	endonuclease/exonuclease/phosphatase family protein	1.25	0.47	0.18	0.16
BF638R1038	exported protein	1.93	0.39	0.32	0.37
BF638R1039	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor	1.47	1.12	3.34	2.11
BF638R1040	anti-sigma factor	7.58	0.94	15.74	9.82
BF638R1041	SusC-like	29.69	5.19	5.89	3.69
BF638R1042	outer membrane protein	18.88	3.83	3.75	2.63
BF638R1043	arylsulfatase precursor	14.97	4.08	4.27	2.98
BF638R1045	arylsulfatase	1.77	0.48	1.58	1.74
BF638R1264	alpha-glucosidase, glycosylhydrolase	2.19	1.49	1.18	1.11
BF638R1265	ECF-type RNA polymerase sigma factor	1.17	0.34	0.22	0.23
BF638R1266	xylosidase/arabinosidase	2.18	0.16	0.33	0.39
BF638R1267	beta-lactamase	0.73	0.49	0.68	1.14
BF638R1268	hypothetical protein	0.80	0.46	0.60	0.53
BF638R1269	anti-sigma factor	0.56	0.39	3.33	2.04
BF638R1270	SusC-like	0.79	0.74	2.71	0.93
BF638R1271	conserved hypothetical protein	0.77	0.68	1.24	0.51
BF638R1272	phosphohydrolase, lcc family	1.14	1.23	1.33	1.24
BF638R1273	possible phosphodiesterase/nucleotide pyrophosphatase-like protein	1.67	0.51	1.08	0.87
BF638R1274	endonuclease/exonuclease/phosphatase family protein	1.94	0.62	0.43	0.37
BF638R1323	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor	0.76	2.33	5.17	7.21
BF638R1324	anti-sigma factor	2.00	2.03	13.65	13.92
BF638R1325	SusC-like	20.82	21.43	16.60	20.89
BF638R1326	conserved hypothetical protein	20.04	17.86	12.88	17.23
BF638R1327	possible endo-beta-N-acetylglucosaminidase	19.35	17.54	11.15	16.70
BF638R1329	conserved hypothetical protein	20.68	15.05	9.62	13.49
BF638R1330	conserved hypothetical protein	13.81	13.37	8.34	10.29
BF638R1494	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor	1.07	7.96	6.75	13.31
BF638R1495	anti-sigma factor	1.20	1.83	11.32	4.29
BF638R1496	SusC-like	1.07	1.47	1.04	1.05
BF638R1497	outer membrane protein	0.88	0.54	0.37	0.34

BF638R1498	hypothetical protein	0.96	1.08	0.97	0.79
BF638R1499	alpha-galactosidase	1.03	1.68	0.99	1.04
BF638R1620	SusC-like	1.14	1.99	0.97	0.79
BF638R1621	conserved hypothetical protein	1.25	3.01	1.24	1.05
BF638R1720	SusC-like	5.94	62.70	12.82	8.02
BF638R1721	conserved hypothetical protein	5.43	74.43	16.70	11.68
BF638R1722	conserved hypothetical protein	21.28	188.38	63.00	75.48
BF638R1723	SusC-like	47.55	195.37	67.18	76.87
BF638R1724	conserved hypothetical protein	13.49	163.55	7.43	4.49
BF638R1725	SusC-like	16.81	152.89	5.42	2.61
BF638R1726	SusC-like	3.38	7.18	0.44	0.25
BF638R1727	exported protein	2.52	7.96	0.71	0.52
BF638R1728	neuraminidase precursor	9.81	37.60	12.63	12.98
BF638R1729	beta-N-acetylhexoosaminidase	19.66	128.60	15.90	15.22
BF638R1730	sialate-O-acetyltransferase	11.99	75.34	4.85	7.61
BF638R1731	sialate O-acylesterase	2.60	3.43	1.19	1.28
BF638R1732	beta-mannosidase	1.38	1.84	0.45	0.61
BF638R1733	beta-N-acetylhexosaminidase	1.63	2.12	0.42	0.48
BF638R1734	lipoprotein	1.29	2.37	0.27	0.40
BF638R1735	beta-N-acetylhexosaminidase	1.28	1.18	0.52	0.43
BF638R1736	outer membrane protein	1.09	1.27	0.37	0.38
BF638R1737	beta-galactosidase	0.99	1.32	0.43	0.50
BF638R1738	SusC-like	6.81	21.16	14.41	10.74
BF638R1739	conserved hypothetical protein	5.40	6.36	3.37	1.96
BF638R1740	outer membrane protein	4.59	3.95	2.57	2.02
BF638R1751	SusC-like	23.68	6.85	0.81	0.62
BF638R1752	outer membrane protein	19.34	6.23	0.68	0.67
BF638R1753	alpha-1,2-mannosidase precursor	13.55	3.03	1.06	1.28
BF638R1754	endonuclease/exonuclease/phosphatase family protein	4.03	1.65	0.55	0.58
BF638R1755	Alkaline phosphatase	2.41	0.70	0.23	0.24
BF638R1756	conserved hypothetical protein	2.22	1.03	0.29	0.29
BF638R1757	exported protein	2.47	0.71	0.21	0.21
BF638R1758	exported protein	1.83	0.92	0.23	0.18
BF638R1928	SusC-like	1.01	0.85	0.26	0.29
BF638R1929	conserved hypothetical protein	1.01	1.10	0.32	0.36
BF638R1960	TonB-dependent outer membrane receptor protein	0.53	0.31	0.44	0.39
BF638R1961	SusC-like	0.34	0.65	0.19	0.28
BF638R1962	conserved hypothetical protein	0.32	0.42	0.09	0.15
BF638R1963	conserved hypothetical protein	0.33	0.34	0.06	0.07
BF638R1964	hypothetical protein	0.33	0.42	0.06	0.10

BF638R1965	hypothetical protein	0.37	0.54	0.09	0.14
BF638R1966	hypothetical protein	0.43	0.59	0.14	0.17
BF638R1967	conserved hypothetical protein	0.42	0.46	0.10	0.14
BF638R1968	conserved hypothetical protein	0.46	0.51	0.07	0.09
BF638R1969	polysialic acid capsule transport protein	0.52	0.82	0.16	0.21
BF638R2253	SusC-like	0.13	0.31	0.02	0.04
BF638R2254	lipoprotein	0.15	0.28	0.04	0.07
BF638R2329	lipoprotein	0.07	0.08	0.06	0.07
BF638R2330	SusC-like	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.03
BF638R2916	conserved hypothetical protein	2.63	1.04	0.73	0.95
BF638R2917	SusC-like	3.23	1.30	0.83	0.70
BF638R2918	membrane protein	3.26	0.78	1.83	1.64
BF638R2920	ECF sigma factor	1.90	3.73	13.53	10.60
BF638R2946	exported protein	15.80	3.53	8.07	1.32
BF638R2947	membrane protein	18.11	3.53	7.19	1.50
BF638R2948	SusC-like	34.43	8.37	12.90	2.29
BF638R2949	conserved hypothetical protein	15.35	1.25	12.24	3.46
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BF638R3030	exported protein	0.39	1.59	1.85	0.87
BF638R3031	SusC-like	0.37	0.46	1.07	1.09
BF638R3032	exported protein	0.50	0.21	0.40	0.53
BF638R3033	exported protein	0.67	0.77	1.70	1.00
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BF638R3121	exported hydrolase	1.64	0.50	0.60	0.33
BF638R3122	lipoprotein	1.47	0.34	0.59	0.24
BF638R3123	SusC-like	1.20	0.82	2.34	0.52
BF638R3124	anti-sigma factor	1.81	1.40	3.64	2.52
BF638R3125	sigma factor	1.15	1.73	0.78	1.22
BF638R3167	conserved hypothetical lipoprotein	8.14	7.10	2.76	4.31
BF638R3168	lipoprotein	2.90	3.23	1.60	2.29
BF638R3169	membrane protein	4.07	3.93	1.86	3.07
BF638R3170	SusC-like	4.23	4.61	2.72	3.57
BF638R3226	SusC-like	5.03	3.82	1.24	0.67
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BF638R3228	lipoprotein	3.73	5.26	3.18	2.70
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BF638R3331	hypothetical protein	0.90	0.56	0.27	0.32
BF638R3332	lipoprotein	1.08	0.42	0.53	0.44
BF638R3333	exported protein	3.34	2.11	1.27	0.87
BF638R3334	SusC-like	5.06	3.38	2.48	2.34

BF638R3437	RNA polymerase sigma factor	3.60	23.33	14.85	22.79
BF638R3438	regulatory protein	33.84	223.63	597.79	532.11
BF638R3439	SusC-like	559.54	2146.72	933.46	1161.15
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BF638R3441	exported protein	334.26	1494.32	443.63	631.07
BF638R3442	lipoprotein	233.61	765.28	367.94	438.35
BF638R3443	exported protein	90.69	1227.85	235.37	363.24
BF638R3466	SusC-like	0.50	1.92	0.96	0.68
BF638R3467	conserved hypothetical protein	0.50	1.90	0.28	0.38
BF638R3468	lipoprotein	0.51	0.82	0.08	0.12
BF638R3469	peptidase	0.51	0.88	0.10	0.10
BF638R3470	hypothetical protein	0.41	0.70	0.12	0.15
BF638R3593	exported phosphatase	1.48	1.37	1.03	1.13
BF638R3594	exported protein	1.69	0.99	0.49	0.38
BF638R3595	exported phosphoesterase protein	1.81	0.89	0.72	0.48
BF638R3596	conserved hypothetical protein	6.21	4.97	3.34	3.16
BF638R3597	SusC-like	7.16	6.41	3.45	3.47
BF638R3598	anti sigma factor	2.46	1.60	17.35	14.63
BF638R3599	RNA polymerase sigma factor	1.76	1.46	0.82	0.69
BF638R3600	lipoprotein	8.64	0.67	0.20	0.15
BF638R3601	SusC-like	9.98	0.49	0.14	0.11
BF638R3602	conserved hypothetical protein	6.63	0.82	1.21	1.83
BF638R3603	membrane protein	10.52	0.87	1.31	1.01
BF638R3604	SusC-like	17.96	1.22	1.82	1.44
BF638R3605	regulatory protein (possible anti-sigma factor)	5.53	0.74	10.18	7.99
BF638R3606	RNA polymerase sigma factor	0.87	0.49	0.83	1.81
BF638R3783	transport related, membrane protein	2.67	1.65	1.55	1.22
BF638R3784	sialidase	3.29	1.67	0.67	0.60
BF638R3785	hypothetical protein	3.64	2.55	2.00	1.42
BF638R3786	lipoprotein	2.56	1.55	1.31	1.32
BF638R3787	SusC-like	2.70	1.54	1.41	1.28
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BF638R3789	GntR-family regulatory protein	1.29	0.38	1.12	1.22
BF638R3796	exported sulfatase	1.59	0.76	1.08	0.84
BF638R3797	exported uslfatase	2.21	1.11	1.20	0.82
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BF638R3799	SusC-like	2.99	2.90	3.90	4.01
BF638R3800	membrane protein	1.37	0.66	15.37	9.87
BF638R3801	RNA polymerase sigma factor	0.59	2.08	3.20	4.32
BF638R3819	RNA polymerase sigma factor	1.95	2.42	3.01	3.69

BF638R3820	membrane protein	4.68	4.53	12.17	6.41
BF638R3821	SusC-like	2.13	2.18	2.17	1.33
BF638R3822	lipoprotein	1.80	0.94	0.60	0.35
BF638R3823	lipoprotein	0.95	1.39	1.07	0.74
BF638R3824	exported protein	0.08	0.12	0.07	0.06
BF638R4102	SusC-like	4.38	4.27	0.97	0.69
BF638R4103	outer membrane protein	3.60	3.57	0.51	0.37
BF638R4104	endo-beta-galactosidase	3.00	3.34	0.74	0.66
BF638R4105	beta-hexosaminidase precursor	2.15	1.40	0.18	0.17
BF638R4106	beta-glucanase	1.99	1.88	0.49	0.44
BF638R4107	beta-galactosidase	1.92	2.37	1.23	0.59
BF638R4108	SusC-like	2.63	2.12	0.42	0.36
BF638R4109	outer membrane protein	2.44	1.50	0.46	0.42
BF638R4142	glycosyl hydrolase	2.02	1.68	0.52	0.52
BF638R4143	conserved hypothetical protein	1.71	0.96	0.30	0.28
BF638R4144	outer membrane protein	2.27	0.84	0.48	0.42
BF638R4145	SusC-like	2.75	1.19	0.37	0.23
BF638R4146	anti-sigma factor	1.58	1.07	1.26	0.75
BF638R4147	ECF-type RNA polymerase sigma factor	0.80	0.72	0.33	0.36
BF638R4192	Transcriptional regulator	1.02	3.06	3.10	2.59
BF638R4193	SusC-like	42.41	4.08	3.66	4.58
BF638R4194	lipoprotein	32.61	3.23	1.83	2.95
BF638R4207	RNA polymerase ECF-type sigma factor	2.17	7.16	12.22	11.38
BF638R4208	anti-sigma factor	8.54	2.29	5.73	2.32
BF638R4209	SusC-like	57.11	32.97	8.14	3.80
BF638R4210	conserved hypothetical protein	24.09	9.37	2.59	2.31
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BF638R4248	possible xylosidase/arabinosidase	1.71	2.17	2.75	2.22
BF638R4249	conserved hypothetical exported protein	2.03	1.70	4.03	4.00
BF638R4250	outer membrane protein	1.59	1.20	3.79	2.11
BF638R4251	SusC-like	2.29	1.88	4.90	2.51
BF638R4258	hypothetical protein	1.46	0.52	0.20	0.19
BF638R4259	outer membrane protein	2.76	1.06	0.73	0.46
BF638R4260	SusC-like	3.79	1.46	0.83	0.70
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BF638R4329	conserved hypothetical protein	1.69	1.29	0.18	0.19
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BF638R4331	outer membrane protein	6.52	1.39	0.40	0.17
BF638R4332	hypothetical protein	5.68	1.11	1.07	1.36
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BF638R4339	conserved hypothetical protein	2.18	1.09	0.12	0.14
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BF638R4349	arylsulfatase	1.14	0.52	1.32	1.63
BF638R4350	conserved hypothetical protein; lipoprotein	1.24	0.53	1.10	1.81
BF638R4352	SusC-like	1.24	0.42	1.10	1.61
BF638R4353	anti-sigma factor	1.21	0.28	12.51	9.78
BF638R4354	ECF-type RNA polymerase	0.95	1.05	2.02	3.62
BF638R4443	SusC-like	2.59	2.06	0.41	0.36
BF638R4444	lipoprotein	0.65	0.46	0.15	0.21
BF638R4478	hypothetical protein	2.23	2.84	1.45	2.03
BF638R4479	outer membrane protein	4.48	4.32	0.95	0.72
BF638R4480	SusC-like	4.99	5.82	1.57	1.04
BF638R4481	hypothetical protein	2.09	1.35	1.07	0.70
BF638R4482	transmembrane sugar transporter	2.19	0.83	2.38	1.95
BF638R4442	outer membrane protein	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

APPENDIX 3: PRIMARY TRANSCRIPTOME ANALYSIS

<i>TSS</i>	<i>Strand</i>	<i>Transcript Start locus</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Putative sRNA</i>	<i>Sequence -50 nt upstream + TSS (51nt)</i>	<i>T_AxxT TTG</i>
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131662	+			0	CGCTCTTTTTCTTTGCTATGTCCAGC AGTTCCAATATCTTATCAGCAA	0
133199	-	bf638r_0125	lysine decarboxylase	0	CTTACAAATATCTGCAATTTTCTATAAA CGACAATAAGTTTTATTGTATTT	1
133258	+	bf638r_0126	peptidase	0	ATCTGCAATTTCTATAAACGACAATA AGTTTTATTGTATTTTGTGCTCT	1
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146666	+	bf638r_0140	hypo	0	GCATCGGATGGAGAACGGAATACTGA AATAAAGTATATTTTTGCAAGAT	1
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671938	-	bf638r_0572	pyridine nucleotide oxidoreductase	0	ATGGAAATAAACGTTTGCCGACTTAAA AAGGTTTCATGGAAGCTTAAAAA	0
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683597	+	bf638r_0582	rpoE, ecf sigma factor	0	AACTACTTATGACATTATTATTAAG GTTTTTATTATTTTGGCGACGT	1
685312	+	bf638r_0584	frrG	0	ATTTATATAGATTAAGGCTTGGCTTAT ATTATCATTTGTAAACATTATATC	1
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685370	-			1	TTGTTTAACTAAAAAATAATATTAT GAACAAAAATCGATCAATCCGAGT	1
690348	+	bf638r_0586	frrI	0	CATTGAGATGAAGGATACTAATGCTT CTTAAGAGATTATTATAAATTAAT	0
692978	+	bf638r_0587	hypo	0	AACAGTTTCTGTAGTAAGCTTGAAAAA TAGTAGGAATACGTATCTTGCAT	1
698657	-			1	TTATGCAAAAAATAATGTTTTGTTTG ATATACAATATATTCTTTGGGATC	1
699097	-		tRNA-met	0	GGGTGCAAAGATAGAGCCTTTTTTTA ATCTCCAAAACATTTCTATCTTT	1
699282	+	bf638r_0591	hypo	0	AGTGAATTAATTATGCCTTGAATTAG AAAAAAGTATTTATCTTGGCACAC	1
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701680	+	bf638r_0593	ribA, riboflavin biosynthesis	0	GGATGTGGAATTGACAATAAAGATA TTAATAACGAAAACAAGATATAAAA	0
702948	+	bf638r_0594	aspC	0	ACTGTCTATTTGCTTTCATATATCAAAT ATTATAGTTTATTTGCAATCAA	1
707327	-			0	AGGTACAAAAATAGAGTTTTTAATCAT TAGTTGGTATCGTTTTGATTTAA	1
707429	+	bf638r_0596	metA	0	TGTTTTAATTTGTATATCTTCTAAATAA GGAAACACTATTTTGCATTGA	1
713726	-	bf638r_0599	tonB receptor	0	GTTTGCAAAGATGCAGCAAAAAATGTT AAACGGCAATCCTCATTTATTAGG	1
717864	-	bf638r_0603	radA, dna repair	0	GTCTCAAAGTTACGCAATTCGCTTTTT CTGCCAAACAGAATATAGCTTTT	1
719577	-	bf638r_0604	ansA, asparaginase	0	GTTGCAAAGATAATGATATATCTTGTA AATGGCAGCAAAGTGCAAGAAAGT	1
719785	+			1	TAATCGCAAAAAGTGATAGATTGAAT GAAATTATTCTTATTTTGAACAT	1
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723728	+	bf638r_0607	thrC	1	AATTTATTAAGAGTTTATGAACCGTT	1

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729969	-	bf638r_0611	tonB receptor	1	GGCGGCAAATTTACGCTTTTGTCTGT GTAAAGCAAGAAACACTTCGCTAT	1
730050	+	bf638r_0612	mscS, ion channel	0	AGCAAGAAACACTTCGCTATTTGATAA AAACATTGTAGCTTTGTCCGCTGT	1
731322	-	bf638r_0613	hypo	0	ACAGTTAAAACATTCTCAAAGAGGATA AGGTTCAAAGTGTCTTTCTTATC	1
731383	+	bf638r_0614	ecf sigma factor	0	ATTCTCAAAGAGGATAAGGTTCAAAC GTTTTTCTTATCTTTGCCATTC	1
748134	-	bf638r_0622	hypo	1	CTTCAATCTGTGGCGATTTAGGAT ATGGCACATTTACCAGAACTTATT	0
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752285	+	bf638r_0626	araC	0	CCTATTAATGGGGATTGTACCGATGTA TGGGTTATCGTAATTTGTATCAG	1
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753915	-		tRNA-lys	0	GGGTGCAAAGGTAGTGACTTTTTTAT ATTGCAAAGCTTTGGATGAAAAA	1
755795	-	bf638r_0630	tdk, thymidine kinase	0	GCTTGCAAAGTAATAGTTTTATTGGC TTCTCAGTGTTTTTCTATTATTA	1
755863	+	bf638r_0631	hypo	0	TTTATTGGCTTCTCAGTGTTTTTCATT ATTTATTCTACATTGCCAAGT	1
759020	+	bf638r_0635	amino acid transporter	0	GTTGATGGAAGTATTGTAAACATTATA GATATATTGATTTTTGCGTTCAA	1
764405	-	bf638r_0637	surface prt	0	AATATGATTATTACAAATTCAGATTGA ACTTAGTGTAAGAAAGAACTGTAT	1
769529	-	bf638r_0639	tonB receptor	0	TGCAAATATATTAAGAAATATGAAACG GACAATCATTTTTATAAAAAAATC	1
769904	+	bf638r_0640	integrase	0	TAAATCTTATTCAATTCTAATATAGTAC CCAAGCACGTCTTATTGTCCAT	1
771721	+	bf638r_0641	tonB receptor	0	AAACTCTTATAATAAAGAAGTTATGAT ATAATTGTAGTTCTGCAAGAACTT	0
776167	+	bf638r_0643	gtp binding prt	0	GGGCGATTTTTCTTTTAGTATGTTACG AAAATAGCTATATTGTGCGCAT	1
779487	+	bf638r_0645	pepN	1	TAACCGCATCGGGCAATTGGCGTGAG AGAGGGTACGAGTTATATAATATTTA	0
782395	+	bf638r_0646	fumB	0	AATCTGCCACTTTATTCATCTTTGGAA AACTATTCTTACCTTGCCTCAC	1
784078	+			1	CTTTAAGCAGATAAAACCCGTTGCGG TTCTTGCAAGCAAAATAAGAAAT	0
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803347	-	bf638r_0659	hypo	0	TTTGTTAATATATGACTTTTTTATATG AACATCCTCCAAAAAGATTTTTT	0
805903	-	bf638r_0662	frr, ribosome recycling factor	0	AAAACAAAAGTAGATTATTTTTGATT ATCTGCAACTATCTATAGAGAGAA	1
815277	+			1	ATACCGATTATCGGGCTATTGATGAT AAAAGGTCTGCTGTAAAGAAAAAGA	0
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817570	+			1	ATTGGTTCGCAACGTTCTCGATACAGG AATTAATATTATTTGTCTGCAT	1
817978	+	bf638r_0672	endo beta	0	TAACGTTGACGTAATGATAGTATGGC	0

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822720	-	bf638r_0677	hypo	0	TCTGCAAATTTACTCTTTTATCTTTG AAATTACAGAAGTAAAAGTAAAT	1
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823794	-	bf638r_0680	hypo	0	GTAGTACAACAAACGTGCCAGAAGGA TTGTTTATTTATTTTCTTGTTAA	0
825252	-	bf638r_0682	psd, phosphatidylserine decarboxylase proenzyme	0	ATCCGCAAAAGTATACTTATTTTAAAA ATCCAGCAAGCATTGTCAGGTAGA	1
825373	+	bf638r_0683	dnaE	0	TTTTGATGTTTATCTTTGTTAGTAGCTG TAGACATTGTAATTTTATGGCTT	1
829203	+	bf638r_0684	trxA	0	AAGGAACGTCCCGAAGCTTGCCTTCAT ATAAATTGATTATCTTGGCCGCAT	1
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839944	+	bf638r_0698	amino peptidase	0	TTTTCGCAAAGGTACTTATTAATTGTGA TTATTCCGTATATTTGCTCTTGC	1
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847891	+			0	TTTGCTGTCTTCTGAAACCTTGGTTC TTCTTTGTGCTATCTTTGTGTAT	1
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875823	-	bf638r_0720	hypo	0	AGCGGCAAAATTAAGGAAAATTTTCTT ATCAGCCAACCTTTGAGCAAGAAA	1
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882584	-	bf638r_0723	tonB receptor	0	GTTAATAAAACAAGTGCCGAAAGA AACACTTACTTCAGTTACTAATTTT	0
888421	-	bf638r_0726	anti sigma factor	0	ATAATAGAAACAATAATCTTTAAAA ACACTTATCTATTTGATAAAAAAT	0

891307	-	bf638r_0728	alpha mannosidase	0	TGTGCAAAGGTAGAGAATATAAATGT AAAACGAAAGAGCTTGTGTCTGAT	1
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896907	+	bf638r_0732	membrane peptidase	0	TTCTGAAAAAGCAGTGCAAAGATAG CTTGTTTTATTATTTTGCCGTAT	1
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904970	+	bf638r_0741	surE, stationary phase phosphatase	0	TCCTATTGGTTCTGTTGTCGATACAA GTTCTTTTGTACTTTGTGCAT	1
905741	+	bf638r_0742	lpxB, lipid disaccharide	0	ATGGATACGTAGCGATTACACCTACTG TAGTGGATATGACCGCTTATCATT	0
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919023	+			1	TATCTTGCTTTTGAGTACAACGTATCTG TTTTGGCTTTACTTTTGTGTGT	1
925763	-	bf638r+_755	hypo	0	ATTACAAAGATACCCGAAAAAGTTTTG CTATTTTGATTTTGTGTTAAAAG	1
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937272	+	bf638r_0764	ABC transport	0	ACTGATGCAAAAGTAACCAATTTATCG TTTGAATTTTCTATATTGTTTAA	1
940399	+	bf638r_0766	araC	0	TTCGGGAGTGGAATAGAAGAAATTA AAAAGTGTGTTATATTGTGGCTAA	1
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945255	-	PS-G inverted promoter		1	AACGCAAAGATAAGGGGTATTTTCATA ATAGCAAAATGTTAATTAAAAA	1
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3023961	-	bf638r_2569	hypo with Signal peptide	0	ACGGACAAATATAAGGATTGTTTTCTA ATAAAAAGGAAATAGGATAAATAAAA	1
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3032314	-	bf638r_2575	EF-Tu	0	GCGCAATATACACAAATGCCAGAAC ATAAAAAAATGCGCTGATAACATATCA TA	1
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3033241	-	bf638r_2577	Redox active protein	0	TTGCAAAATTATTAAGAAAGTATCTTT GTCGGCACTAATCAATGATTTT	1
3033272	+	bf638r_2578	Unkown fuction	0	TTTATATTTTTTTATTTCTGCAAAATTA TTAAAAAAGTATCTTTGTCTGG	1
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3035844	+	bf638r_2581	Unkown fuction	0	CAAGCGAGAACCTTGTCGGTTCACTT TTAACAACTATCTTTGCCCAA	1
3039986	-	bf638r_2584	phenylalanyl tRNA synthetase subunit	0	CCGCAAAGTTAATAAGATTTTTGGTT GATGGGGAATGAATGTTATAAAAAA	1
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3075909	-	bf638r_2616	Unkown fuction	0	GGGCAAATTTACATTAAATAGTTTAGA TTACATAAAATTTGCTCGATTTTA	1
3076222	+	bf638r_2618	CTP synthetase	0	TTTGTTTTGTAGAAAGCATCCGTTCTTC CCATTTTTTTGTAATTTGCGGT	1
3081229	+	bf638r_2621	Peptidase	0	AACTGGCAGAAAAAGCAGATTTGACC TGATTTTTGCTTATCTTCGAGCA	1
3086078	-	br638r_2624	Transcriptional regulator	0	GCAGCAATATAGGCATTGCTATGGT ACTATGCAATACAAAGTACCTTATTTT	1
3086197	+	br638r_2625	acyl transferase	0	TTAAGTCCCTTTCACCTTATTATAAATG CAAATTATCACTATATTTGCCGT	1
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3092131	-	bf638r_2628	uvrA1	0	GCTGCAAAATTAATGTTCCGCCCGAA ATATAGTTTTAAAAAACCAATA	1
3092240	+	bf638r_2629	Unkown fuction	0	TAACTCAATATATTATGTGAATGTAT GACATTATTCGTACCTTTGCCGTAA	1
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3100804	+	bf638r_2637	Unkown fuction	0	GGTTTTCTATGAAACATTTGCCAAGAT CTCAAAAATCTGTATCTTTGCATT	1
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3114151	-	bf638r_2647	with signal peptide	0	ACTAACAAATATACGAATAGTTCGTAA CTCCGGATTGTTGTACGGATAAA	1
3114438	+	bf638r_2648	Unkown fuction	0	TTATATCGGGCCTGCTTATAAATCGTA TATTTTACCTAAGTTTGCCGT	1
3123377	-	bf638r_2652	glutamine amidotransferase	0	GCGTGCAAAGATACACAATCTATATGA CATAAAGATAAGCTTTCCTATA	1
3125819	+	bf638r_2654	phosphoinositide- specific phospholipase C- like phosphodiesterases superfamily	0	TTAGCATCCTTATCCGGCTAAATTGCG TTACTTTTTATATCTTTGAAGGC	1
3126766	+	bf638r_2655	Unkown fuction	0	TCAAAACCAAGTCTTCCAATATTTCAA ATTAATTATCTACATTTACGGTCAT	1
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3128811	+	bf638r_2656	Prophage Transposase	0	ACTACGGGATTTATCTCGTAGTTTTTT ATTTATCTATTAACTTTGTA	1
3139492	+	bf638r_2669	Unkown fuction	0	CATTCTCCCGTTTTTCGAGGTTATTCC AGAGATTTCTATATATTGTAC	1
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3143704	-	bf638r_2672	Unkown fuction	0	AAAAAGAACAATGAATTTTGAATAA GTTTCATAGCAAGATTGTAATATCT	1/2
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3148164	-	bf638r_2675	Butanol dehydrogenase	0	GATACAAAAATAATCGCTTCTTCCAG AAAACAAAAGATTCGCAAGGTA	1
3148469	-		hypo or sRNA or else	1	ATCTGAGAAACAATATAAATAACAAAA TGTTAAAAAGAGTTTCTTTTCAA	0
3149137	+	br638r_2678	trpB	0	AAGAAAGATTTTATTTGTTATTCCAAA CAAAGTATCTATATTGCCCCCGT	1
3163550	+		hypo or sRNA	1	CCCTAAAAAGGGGATTGTGGCAACCG CCGAAACCGCTATCTTGCAGTAT	1
3165387	-	bf638r_2693	Unkown fuction	0	GGGTGCAAAGAAACACAATATTTTAAT GGTATACAATCACTATAAATAGGT	1
3165554	+	bf638r_2695	Unkown fuction	0	AAATCACAGATTATTATTCATCGTTTAC CACTATTTTTACCTTTGCACAAT	1
3166855	+	bf638r_2696	Flavodoxin	0	TTATAAATGGGGATTTTCTATTTCTGCC GGACCGCTATCTTGGCCGTAT	1
3171242	-	bf638r_2702	hypo with Signal peptide	0	AGAGGTCAAAGATACATTATTTCCGG AAAGAGATAAAAAAGTCCGGTCGA	1
3172609	-	bf638r_2703	Methionine synthase	0	CGACAAATATAAAAAACAATAATCAG ATATTTGTGTTCAACATGATACTT	1
3175499	-	bf638r_2705	hypo	0	GGCAAAGATAAGAAGTATTCATAAT GGAACAATCCCCATTTATAGGGATA	1
3176938	-	bf638r_2707	Unkown fuction	0	GGACAAAAGTAATAAAATGAATCTGA ACCGGGAAAAATAAAGTCAATAAA	1
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3183026	-	bf638r_2713	hypo	0	GGCACAAAAGTACGCAGATCACCAAG TGAAGGCAATACCTACTAATATCT	1
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3195099	+	bf638r_2722	ribonucleotide diphosphate reductase	0	AAAACACACTCTCTGCACAACCATTC AAATTCTATTATCTTGTCTCCCT	1
3199219	+	bf638r_2724	Unkown fuction	0	TCTTCATTCAAAAAACTTTTGACCCCTG ATTTTTTAATTACCTTTGTACC	1

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3205126	-	bf638r_2731	Transcriptional regulator	0	GACGCAAAGATATTATTTGATTTCATAA AAATAATCAAAGAGGGTATGTC	1
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3216816	+	bf638r_2740	Unkown fuction	0	CTATCGTCTTTTCTACCGGACAACCTCTC TTTATGTGTACTTTTGCCCCAT	1
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3320356	+	bf638r_2832	Unkown fuction	0	CTTCTCCATTTTCTCAACCTTTAGATT TTCTCTTTATCTTTGTAGTAG	1
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3346560	+	bf638r_2858	folC	0	TTCTTTGTTCCCATGATTCTTAGATTTA AATGTTGATATTTGCAATCA	1/2
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3432428	+	bf638r_2835	transporter	0	ATGATATCGGACGAAATAGTATGCAA AAATAACGGCAACTTTGCAACCGGA	1/2
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3473780	+	bf638r_2969	Unkown fuction	0	TGCTTTATCCGTGCCCTCGTATAGCGA AATTATCCGTATCTTTGCCCAT	1
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3479216	+	bf638r_2971	glycosyl transferase	0	TTAATGCGCTATCTTTGGTTAGTAGCG GAAAAGCATTACATTTGTCTTCAA	1
3482707	+	bf638r_2976	tonB like outer membrane protein	0	CTGGCAGCAAACCTGCAATAAAAGTTT TCTTCGATATATTGTAACGTG	1
3486848	-	bf638r_2980	glutamate cystine ligase	0	GTCCGCAAAGTTACAATATTTATCATA AATATAACAAAATAAAACAATT	1
3487070	+	bf638r_2982	Unkown fuction	0	GCCCCCGGAATAATAATATTTCAATA TTATCTCCCTATATTTACAGACAG	1/2
3488259	-	bf638r_2983	Unkown fuction	0	GGCTTCCAAATTTAATAATATCCGGA GACGAACCCCAATTACCACCAATT	1
3488351	+	bf638r_2984	Sigma Factor	0	CACCAATTTTCACTCTTATTCTGTGATT ATTTCTTTTCTTTGCGACTAA	1/2

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3523831	-	bf638r_3010	Unkown fuction	0	CAGCAAAGATAAGCGAGTGCATAGAA GCATGCAAACATTCTATGTCAACA	1
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3588559	+	bf638r_3073	Ketoacyl-acyl carrier protein synthase III	0	AGATTACAAGATATTGAATAAATCTTT CTTTTCTGTATATTTGCGCCCGG	1
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3644004	+	bf638r_3115	periplasmic ligand- binding sensor	0	TTCCATTTTTTTGGTCACGTCTATGCAA ACTGTTACTTTTGCCGGTAA	1
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3698825	+	bf638r_3158	amylase	0	AAGAAAGAAAACGGAAAAAATCCGA TGATTTACCCCTATATTAGCAACAT	1/2
3700839	+	bf638r_3159	Transcriptional regulator	0	AATAGTCAAACGTTTGACTATTATCGG AGAATATTCCTACCTTGCAGCGA	1/2
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3706387	-	bf638r_3163	Endonuclease/Exon uclease/phosphatas e	0	CCCTGCAAAAGTCTTAAAAAAAAGCG AGAATACGACTTTTTTCCAAAAC	1/2
3706476	+	bf638r_3164	rpmE	0	TTTCCAAAACTTTTCTAAGAAACAA AAAAGCATTATCTTTGCAACCT	1
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3719369	-	bf638r_3170	OsuA	0	GTAGCAAAAATACTATTAAACAACAG TCGCTTATTTAAATTCAAACAAA	1
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3722267	+	bf638r_3173	maltose phosphorylase	0	ATCTGTTATCCACTGTCGGCACGGACT TTTTTGTATCTTGGGTGCCGT	1/2
3724800	+	bf638r_3174	efflux transporter	0	ACAAACCGGAAAACGTGTTTTGGTTTT TtagTTTTATATCTTTCGCGCCCTC	1
3726055	+	bf638r_3176	efflux transporter	0	CTGAAATAAGAGTGCCCGTTCAACGCA ATAATTAATTCACCACAGATTA	0
3732184	+	bf638r_3179	phosphoribosylform ylglycinamide synthase	0	TATAGTATTTCTTCTCACCACCAACGA ATTTGCTTATCTTGCACGCAA	1
3736041	+	bf638r_3180	Unkown fuction	0	TCCTTTCTAAAGTTTGACTTCTCCAC TCTTTTATTAATTTGTAAAT	1
3742924	-	bf636r_3183	Unkown fuction	0	GGTGCAAAGATAACAATTTGCTCCTCA TTTGCAACGGTTAAGCAAGCAATT	1
3743054	+	bf638r_3184	uvrA2	0	GTTCTTCCACTGTTAGGTTAAACGTT GCTGACTCACTATCTTGCAGTCC	1
3748206	-	bf638r_3187	Carbon starvation protein CstA	0	AGCGCAAATGTAACATAATCTAAGGA AACTACACAACCTTACGAAGGGTTT	1
3750018	+	bf638r_3189	Histidine kinase-like ATPases	0	AAATAACCATCTTTCTTATTATATCA TTAATATAGTATCTTGTGAAAT	1
3753750	-	bf638r_3190	Unkown fuction	0	CTGCAAATATATGCACAAAAACGCATA TAAAACCGGAAACAGGTCACCT	1
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3764091	-	bf638r_3198	opuAA	0	AATTAAGTAAACAAGCCGAACGTTCAA ATGGTTCATCGCATTATTTCCGG	0
3767308	-	bf638r_3200	sensor kinase	0	GGAGGCAAATATAACAATTTCCCTCCG GAATCTCCACCTGCTTGTTTA	1
3771513	-	bf638r_3203	Glycosyl hydrolases family	0	GGTGGCAAATATAGCGGAGATATCTG CCACCGGCTATTAATTTGTTTC	1
3773920	-	bf638r_3204	outer membrane receptor protein	0	GCCGCAAAGGAACGCGGAATCCCAT TCCCACTAAAAGATTTGTTTCAAA	1/2
3777198	-	bf638r_3207	Unkown fuction	0	GAAGCAAATGTAGATATTATAATTATA CTAAGCAAGAGTTAAGAGAAAAAA	1
3778263	+	bf638r_3208	glucose/galactose transporter	0	CATAGCCTTTTCAACCTAAATTATATAT TGGTCTAACTTTGTTTATGT	1

3781123	-	bf638r_3210	glutamine amidotransferase	0	GATATAGAAACGTACCTACAACCGACT TGTATCTTGCTAACCGGAGTTT	1/2
3784358	-	bf638r_3212	ion transporter	0	AAAGATAAAACAAACCAAAATAAAAA ATAGTTTTAGAGTAAGTTTAAATC	1/2
3794891	-	bf638r_3220	efflux transporter	0	ATATGCAAAGTTATTGGGAAGGGAGG AGATAGAAAAGTTGAAATGAATGA	1
3794890	+	bf638r_3221	regulator	0	CCTGTGAGAATAAGATAAATCTGTTTC ATAATTTGCGTACTTTTGTATTTTC	1
3795981	+	bf638r_3222	Peptidase family	0	GATAGACGTTTCATTTCATATTTGGGG ATATTGAGCTATCTTTGTCGCAT	1
3799443	+	bf638r_3225	Unkown fuction	0	GAATCAACGAACAGGGGATTTTATC AGTAATTATCTATCTTTGCAGCCC	1
3800599	-			1	GTTGCAAATATAGCGATTATTTTAAAA ATAGATAATAATCCCAAAAGTTT	1
3805958	+	bf638r_3228	Alpha-L-fucosidase	0	TTAGTTAGTCCCCGGAACGAGTTTCCG GGGATTTTTTTTATCTTTGCACCAT	1
3808169	+	bf638r_3229	electron transfer flavoprotein	0	TCAGATAGATTTCTTGTCAGAACCAAG CGTTTGCTTAAATTTGCAGGCTG	1
3812026	+	bf638r_3232	glycosyl hydrolase	0	ATGTCAAATGATTGGCTATGTGGCTG GTTTTTACGAATATTGCAACAA	0
3817577	-	bf638r_3234	CbpA	0	ATACAAACAACACGCCAACCTGAGTTT TAGATTCAAATTTTAGCACAAAT	0
3819498	-	bf638r_3235	NtrY	0	GACAGTAAATATAGATATTATTCTCCT ACTTTCAACACAAAACACAAACAA	1/2
3822775	-	bf638r_3237	surface antigen	0	CTCCATTTAACACTTAATAAACAGAAA ATGTTCAAATCCAAGGTATGA	0
3822928	+			1	AAGCTCCTGCTATTCTTAAGTAAATT AAATCCGCTTTATTTGTATCAT	1/2
3823344	-			1	TCCGGACAAAGATAAAGTAACGTTCC GTAAGGTTTTTACCGACAAATCTTT	1
3823407	+	bf638r_3238	Unkown fuction	0	AAGTAACGTTCCGTAAGGTTTTTACCG ACAATCTTTATCTTTACAGTCT	1/2
3826794	-	bf638r_3240	Beta-eliminating lyase	0	TCTGCAAAGGAAGAAAATTATTCGCA GAAAAAGAAAGGATTTACCACAG	1/2
3827875	-	bf638r_3242	Sigma factor	0	AGTGCAAAGAACGAAATTATTCACCTA AAAACATACGATCATGATGGATT	1/2
3827881	+	bf638r_3243	Unkown fuction	0	TATTTTTTCTTTGTAACTTTCCGCAG CCTGCTGCGTCAACAGTGCAA	0
3828731	-	bf638r_3244	Unkown fuction	0	GCGGTGAAAGTTAACAAAATTATGCA CGCATTGTTATTACAAAGACACTAA	1/2
3828898	+	bf638r_3245	poxB	0	GCATACGTTAAATATACAACCTTTTATC ACAACTACCTGTTATTGCAACAT	0
3831486	-	bf638r_3246	NADPH-dependent FMN reductase	0	AATACAAATATAATCAGTTAAATATGC GATGGTTAAAGTAATATTGTTTCC	1
3836168	-	bf638r_3251	groES	0	GCTGCAAATGTATGGATTCTTTTAAAT GTAACCAAATATTTCATTTCTTT	1
3836387	+	bf638r_3252	Unkown fuction	0	TATTCATTCTAATTAAAGATACGGTTT CAGGTCAGAATCATTTGCATAG	0
3846074	-	bf638r_3259	Polyphosphate kinase 2	0	GTAATAAAGATACAAAAATCGGGCA GAAAAGTTTCATCCGATTAGCTAA	1/2
3848557	+			1	TTTCTACACTTCTTTTGAAGTAACACG GAAATTGTGTATCTTTGTTCTGA	1
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3851660	-	bf638r_3264	glycosyl transferase	0	TTGCAAAGAAACAGCTTACGTATTACA ATTGTTTGACGGAAGTATGACGA	1/2
3851838	+	bf638r_3265	glycosyl hydrolase	0	CTTCCTTATCCTGTGCGATACTGTCAG TTTTTCCTTATTTTGCCTGAA	1
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3856930	+	bf638r_3268	transposon	0	AACAGAAAGAGGAGACCGAAATCTCC TCATGATTAGTTAACTTTGCATTGC	1
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3859531	-	bf638r_3269	histidyl-tRNA synthetase	0	GTTGCAAAGTTATATGAAATAATTGAT TATTGAAACAGAAACACAGACTT	1
3862393	-	bf638r_3272	Unkown fuction	0	ATTTACAAAGATATATATAAAAAGAGA CTATCAACATTTAGAACATAAAA	1
3863253	-	bf638r_3273	Putative neutral zinc metallopeptidase	0	TTGCCAAAAATAAACAAAAGCGACGT ACAGGGAGTTTACCGTACATCGCT	1
3866541	-	bf638r_3276	Fur	0	GCCAAACAAAGTTAATTGTTTTTGC GG AAAGCAAAATATATCTGTAAATT	1
3866600	+	bf638r_3277	Dolichyl-phosphate- mannose-protein mannosyltransferas e	0	GTTAATTGTTTTTTCGGAAAGCAAAA ATATATCTGTAAATTTGCAGCCAA	1
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3871871	+	bf638r_3282	recQ	0	AAGAATATTTAACTTTTAATAACCCGA AAATAAAGCGTACCTTTGCCTGAA	1
3875996	-	bf638r_3285	cysteine synthase	0	GCGCAAAGATAAAGAAAAGAATCGTA CCTTTGCGACCGTTCAATCTTTTA	1
3876034	+	bf638r_3286	Phosphoglycerol transferase	0	ACCACAGTTAATGCGCAAGATAAAG AAAAGAATCGTACCTTTGCGACCGT	1
3878761	+	bf638r_3288	TonB-dependent heme/hemoglobin receptor	0	CCTACATATAGGTATTGTACACTACCG CATAAAAACCGATATTTGCCGGAC	1/2
3887908	+			1	AAGATTCTGATTTTGCATTTATTAAAT CTTATTCTTATCTTGGCCGAT	1
3889361	-	bf638r_3294	Nucleoside- diphosphate-sugar epimerase	0	TTACCATTAAACAACTCTCCAGTTTCT TGTTCGAACGTATTTTTTGTTC	0
3892265	-	bf638r_3297	Glycosyl transferase	0	CCCGCAAAGTACAAAAATATGAAA TAAATAGGATTATTGAAACAACAA	1
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3918867	+	bf638r_3322	HTH protein	0	AAAAATAGTAAAAATTGCACAATAAT AATTAATCAATATATTGCAATAT	1
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3924672	+	bf638r_3327	HTH protein	0	ACTTTTCGTTATATCGGTAAAATTACGT TTTTTAGACTATATTGTCTTAT	1
3929635	-	bf638r_3328	periplasmic ligand- binding sensor	0	TTCAAAAGATAATACATGCCGGACAA ATAATTCTCAAGTCATGATAAA	1
3931805	-	bf638r_3329	Glycoside hydrolase	0	ATTTGCAAAATTAGCACATAAATAGAA CATTCTGTTCTGCATTTGTGACAT	1
3931948	+	bf638r_3330	Unkown fuction	0	GTCATGTATTTGGTGCGTTTTTAAGT ATAGATTTCTATCTTTGTACAAA	1
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3945766	-	bf638r_3337	efflux transporter	0	GGAACAAAAGTATAAAAAAGAAGCGG ATAACAATTTTCTCCCTCAAACGT	1
3945827	+	bf638r_3338	cupin-like protein	0	TAAAAAGAAGCGGATAACAATTTTC TCCCTCAAACGTTTATTCTCAC	0
3946452	-			1	ATGTAAAGGTAGTCATTTTAGGTCAAG ATCCATATCCTAATCCGGGACAAT	1/2
3948124	+	bf638r_3342	Unkown fuction	0	ATCGTAATTCATAGTAATAATTATATTA ATAACACTAGTTTTGTATCAC	1
3950211	+	bf638r_3343	Unkown fuction	0	TTCTTATCATCCGAATAGGGATCTTCT TATTTTTTCTGTCTTTATAATCAA	0
3952547	-	bf638r_3346	Unkown fuction	0	CCACAAAGATATATTTTTTTAGATAA GTTAAAATTAATCTGATCTTTTAG	1
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3970745	-	bf638r_3360	phage integrase	0	GTTGCAAATAAAAGATTCTCCAGCAA TTGCGCAAAAGATCGATACCAAT	1/2
3972026	-	bf638r_3361	HTH regulator	0	AAGTTTTAAACTAATAAAAGATAGA AAAGCACCACTTATAAGATCTTT	1/2
3972094	+			1	AAAAGATAGAAAAGCACCACTTATA AGATCTTTTTTGTTTTAAATATCA	1/2
3972214	+	bf638r_3362	pncB	0	ATGAACCGATACGGAATGGATTACTAT AGAATATTTGTATCTTTGACGAG	1
3974658	-	bf638r_3363	TlpA-like family protein	0	ACACGCAATATAACCAATGAAAACA GAAATCGACAAGCGGTATCCCACT	1
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3977748	+			1	TCGTTTATTGTACCCAAAGAACAATCG GTAGTCCGTTTGTGTTCCGTATAT	1/2
3977850	+	bf638r_3365	acetyl-CoA carboxylase biotin carboxylase subunit	0	TCGTGCAAAAAGTATCCATCCTATTCA ATATTTCTCTATATTTGTCGCCGA	1
3982904	+	bf638r_3369	beta-lactamase	0	TGTGATATCGCTATTTCCGTGAACATA AAAGCCGCATCTTTGCAACAT	1
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3987118	+	bf638r_3373	Unkown fuction	0	AAACAACACTACTTGGCAAACTTTTC ATACCTCCGGTGTATACATCAAC	0
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3995708	-	bf638r_3378	Cys/Met metabolism PLP- dependent enzy	0	GACGCAAAAGTAGAGAAAATTATTGG TTTAAAAGGCTATCTTTGCGAGCGA	1
3995758	+	bf638r_3379	N-acetylmuramoyl- L-alanine amidase	0	GACGCAAAAGTAGAGAAAATTATTGG TTTAAAAGGCTATCTTTGCGAGCGA	1
3996968	+	bf638r_3380	Homocysteine S- methyltransferase	0	TACTGAGAGCAGATGACCGGAGTGAG CCGATAAATCCTATATTTGTTGCCG	1
3999019	-	bf638r_3381	Unkown fuction	0	CCGCAAAGATAGTCATTATCAGGAG GCATCCCTCCGAATGGCTACCGGA	1
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4004740	+	bf638r_3388	Unkown fuction	0	TTCTTTTCCGGATTCAAGAACCAACAC ATACGGCTTTTGTATTACCGCAT	0
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4015476	-	bf638r_3396	Unkown fuction	0	ATATAATTAACGTATGAACATCCTTTTT GGTTAATCCTTTTGGTTATCTT	0
4007695	-			1	CTTCTATCCTACGCTGTGACAGCGTTA CTCATCCCGATATTTGCAGCAGCT	0
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4024012	+	bf638r_3401	MgtC	0	TTTGACTGCGAATATACGTTATTTCTAA AAAATATTGTATCTTTAGGTAA	1/2
4027708	-	bf638r_3404	Transcriptional regulator	0	GCCAAAAATAAGCACAATCCTCCAAAA GATCAAAAGATAATCTCTTTTAA	1
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4126588	-	bf638r_3489	NusG	0	TGAAACATCATTTTTGATGAAATTCAG AACC GGACAAAAAGAAAAATCAA	0
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4134959	+	bf638r_3501	HTH regulator	0	CGTGTGGCAATATTTGTATATACAAGA AATTATCGGTACTTTTGCCACAGA	1
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4166963	+	bf638r_3534	ABC transport	0	AGCCCGCAAGGTATAAAAAAATCA TAGATTTGATTATCTTTGCGGCTAA	1
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4179483	+	bf638r_3544	Unkown fuction	0	TTGTGTATTAATACCTGCAAAATACAA AAATATTTCTGCTCTTTGCAACTT	1/2
4180444	+	bf638r_3545	sigma factor	0	TGGCTTTACAGAATTGCTTATAACGTA TTTTATGATTATATTCGACGCCGA	1/2
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4189148	-	bf638r_3555	biopolymer transporter	0	GGGTGCAAATTACAAAAAATGCGA ACCACAAGCGTTTTAGCTACAAAT	0
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4192629	+	bf638r_3561	cytidylate kinase	0	TGTGGCACAAATATAACGCAGATATTT TAAAAATACAGTATATTTGGCGAA	1
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4198359	-	bf638r_3566	Unkown fuction	0	AAGGACAAAGTTAAAGAAAAAATTT AAAGGGACAAATAGTTTACGAAAT	1
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4214693	-	bf638r_3578	ilvD	0	GCTGCAAAGGTAAGTGCTTTTTATAA ACTCCAAACAAATTGAAGAAAAAA	1
4225284	+	bf638r_3585	peptidyl-prolyl cis- trans isomerase	0	TCCCCACAGTCCATAAATCTCTGACG ATTAATTCGTATATTTGCCCCAC	1
4227935	-	bf638r_3587	L-cysteine desulfidase	0	GCACAAAAGTAGAAAAATACTCTTAT AAACCATCCATTAAACCAAGAAT	1
4228061	+	bf638r_3588	Glycosyl hydrolase	0	TTACACTCTATCCTCTGGTTATTTAATA ATTATCATGTATCTTTGCCTCTC	1

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4233575	-	bf638r_3592	Unkown fuction	0	GGAGCAAAGTAACAGCTTTATTTCCAT CCAAACAAGGTCTATCTTACGTAT	1/2
4238737	-	bf638r_3595	Unkown fuction	0	GATACAAAAGTATACTTATTATGTTGG GCAACCAAATAGATATAGCCTTTT	1
4243920	+			1	AAAAAGCTTAAAAAGCTTCTCCATTTA AATTTATTCATATCTTTGTAAG	1
4245766	-	bf638r_3599	sigma factor	0	ATTGACAAAGTAACAAATAATAATAAT AATCTCAAAATTTAAGAAACGGT	1/2
4252148	+			1	AGATATGCTTAAATAATTGTTTATTAA AGTTATTAGTATATTGCCACGA	1
4259157	+			1	AAAACAAAAAATACTTTTATTGATA ATAAAGTTCTTACTTTAGTCCTAT	1/2
4259198	+			1	TTAGTCTATCGGGACTAAAAATTCCA TGATTATTCATACATTGTACGAT	1
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4261423	+	bf638r_3607	aroC	0	AAAACGAGAGAACAACTCTTCTCTG AATTTTATTGTTATATTGCATAT	1
4268866	-	bf638r_3613	DNA Topoisomerase	0	GCAGACAAAGGTACAAAAAATAGGA AGGGAGAAAGTAGTAATCCGTCTCCA	1
4268938	+	bf638r_3614	fructosidase	0	GGAAGGGAGAAGTAGTAATCCGTCTC CATTTATTTGTAGCTTTGCTTCGT	1
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4296550	+			1	TTTTATTAGAATGTACAACAATTATAC GAATTTACGTGTTATTGAGAGAAC	0
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4369380	+	bf638r_3716	FecR	0	TTGCACACTCCGATAGGGAGATTCTT CAAACGCTCTGTCTTATCCATGA	0
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4495995	-		rRNA	0	GATGCAAAAGTAAGGCATTAGGAGAT AAGAGACAAATATAAAAGGGGATTT	1
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4540823	-	bf638r_3850	tRNA Methytransferase	0	GAATGCAAATGTACAAGATTCCTGGC AGAATACAATCAATTGGACAAGTTA	1
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Appendix 4: INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE
(IACUC) APPROVAL FORM



**Animal Care and
Use Committee**

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October 9, 2012

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C. Jeffrey Smith, Ph.D.
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Dear Dr. Smith:

Your Animal Use Protocol entitled, "Role of B. Fragilis Oxygen Stress Response in Infection" (AUP #K155a) was reviewed by this institution's Animal Care and Use Committee on 10/9/12. The following action was taken by the Committee:

"Approved as submitted"

Please contact Dale Aycock at 744-2997 prior to hazard use

A copy is enclosed for your laboratory files. Please be reminded that all animal procedures must be conducted as described in the approved Animal Use Protocol. Modifications of these procedures cannot be performed without prior approval of the ACUC. The Animal Welfare Act and Public Health Service Guidelines require the ACUC to suspend activities not in accordance with approved procedures and report such activities to the responsible University Official (Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences or Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs) and appropriate federal Agencies.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'S. B. McRae'.

Susan McRae, Ph.D.
Chair, Animal Care and Use Committee

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Role of B. Fragilis Oxygen Stress Response in Infection

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New/Renewal	<i>Renewal 10/5/12</i>			
Full Review/Date		DR/Date		
Approval Date	<i>10/9/12</i>			
Study Type	<i>B. fragilis</i>			
Pain/Distress Category	<i>D</i>			
Surgery	<i>✓</i>	Survival	<i>✓</i>	Multiple <i>abdominal Ocm</i>
Prolonged Restraint				
Food/Fluid Regulation				
Other				
Hazard Approval/Dates		Rad	IBC <i>✓ backside</i>	EHS
OHP Enrollment			<i>fragilis</i>	
Mandatory Training				
Amendments Approved				

I. Personnel

A. Principal Investigator(s):

Charles Jeffrey Smith

B. Department(s):

Microbiology & Immunology

C. List all personnel (PI's, co-investigators, technicians, students) that will be working with live animals and describe their qualifications and experience with these specific procedures. If people are to be trained, indicate by whom:

Name	Role(s) and Responsibilities for this Project	Required ECU Training (Yes/No)	Other Relevant Animal Experience/Training
Charles Jeffrey Smith	PI	yes	8 years of animal research and completed the ECU animal welfare training
Edson R. Rocha	Co-PI	yes	8 years of experience and training in performing the procedures detailed in this application. The PI has developed the implanted tennis "ping pong" ball in the rat peritoneal cavity to study B. fragilis intra-abdominal infection. The PI is acquainted with animal care procedures. Completed ECU training.
Yanlu Cao	graduate student	yes	several months experience with this model. Has received training from Dr. Rocha and has completed the online animal welfare course.
Matthew Rosenbaum	Consultant/Collaborator	yes	Veterinarian, Assistant Professor of Comparative Medicine

II. Regulatory Compliance

A. Non-Technical Summary

Using language a non-scientist would understand, please provide a clear, concise, and sequential description of animal use. Additionally, explain the overall study objectives and benefits of proposed research or teaching activity to the advancement of knowledge, human or animal health, or good of society. (More detailed procedures are requested later in the AUP.)

Do not cut and paste the grant abstract.

Bacteroides fragilis is the most frequent pathogen isolated from anaerobic infections in humans such as intra-abdominal or pelvic abscesses. In the present study we propose experiments to identify and characterize the genes involved in the pathogenicity and virulence of *B. fragilis*. The animal experiments will specifically test the ability of *B. fragilis* mutants to survive in the rat peritoneal cavity. In addition, we will test the expression of virulence genes during the growth of these organisms inside the peritoneal cavity. To accomplish this, rats will be surgically implanted with an intra-abdominal tissue cage as a model for intra-abdominal infection. The cage will be inoculated with bacterial strains and then periodically sampled to determine viability of bacteria and gene expression. We also will perform "competition" studies in which both the wild-type and mutant strains are inoculated into the same 'ping pong ball. Then we will measure the differential survival over time. The idea here is that, in some cases differences in growth rate and final population level of the mutants may not be great enough to easily distinguish from the wild-type parent strain except in the case of very severe defects. Thus we will use mixed culture "competition" experiments plus the mono-culture experiments for a more complete picture of the role of virulence factors.

B. Duplication

Does this study duplicate existing research? No

If yes, why is it necessary? (note: teaching by definition is duplicative)

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C. Alternatives to the Use of Live Animals

Are there less invasive procedures, other species, isolated organ preparation, cell or tissue culture, or computer simulation that can be used in place of the live vertebrate species proposed here? No

If yes, please explain why you cannot use these alternatives.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

D. Literature search to ensure that there are no alternatives to all potentially painful and/or distressful procedures

1. Please list the potentially painful or distressful procedures in the protocol:

surgery, implantation of tissue cage (ping pong ball), inoculation of tissue cage with bacteria, application of anesthesia and subsequent sampling of the tissue cage using a syringe and needle to aspirate material from inside the tissue cage, euthanasia of animals at the end of the experiment.

2. For the procedures listed above, provide the following information (please do not submit search results but retain them for your records):

Date Search was performed:	August 16, 2012
Database searched:	Medline via ECU OVID program
Period of years covered in the search:	1946-August 2012
Keywords used and strategy:	<p>Bacteroides fragilis; experimental intra-abdominal infection, experimental model of anaerobic infections, animal models, and alternatives. I performed an individual search for each of the keywords above then combined each of the data sets with the connector "And"</p> <p>Also searched the database with the entire phrase without the punctuation.</p>
Other sources consulted:	NCBI Pubmed and Google

3. Narrative indicating the results of the search (2-3 sentences) and explaining why there are no alternatives to your proposed procedures that have the potential to cause pain and/or distress:

There are no alternative procedures to in vivo experimental intra-abdominal infection. The procedure using tissue cage implanted in the rat abdominal cavity will reduce the number of animals required for this project by allowing multiple samples from the same animal. The use of culture cell models will not provide the complex immune system response that is essential for the recruitment of PMNs and macrophages in the initial stages of *B. fragilis* infection and abscess formation. The use of adult Sprague Dawley rats is appropriate for the tissue cage "pig-pong-tennis ball" model of intra-peritoneal infection. In addition, this model will allow us to obtain multiple sampling of intra-

abdominal exudates without the need to sacrifice the animal in each time point. This procedure will greatly reduce the number of animals to be used in this study. This model has advantages over direct inoculation of bacteria into the peritoneal cavity because the infection process is confined to inside of the encapsulated implanted ping-pong ball tissue cage. Our experience (Rocha and Smith combined) using this model with more than 75 rats is that we have observed six systemic infections due and have lost one animal to causes we could not directly attribute to the procedures. Generally the animals do not exhibit any signs of discomfort. Other methods of abscess formation do not allow multiple sampling at different time points and would require a large number of animals for each experiment.

E. Hazardous agents

1. Protocol related hazards (chemical, biological, or radiological):

Please indicate if any of the following are used in animals and the status of review/approval by the referenced committees:

HAZARDS	Oversight Committee	Status (Approved, Pending, Submitted)/Date	AUP Appendix I Completed?
Radioisotopes	Radiation	NA	
Ionizing radiation	Radiation	NA	
Infectious agents (bacteria, viruses, rickettsia, prions, etc.)	IBC	approved 11/2009	yes
Toxins of biological origins (venoms, plant toxins, etc.)	IBC	NA	
Transgenic, Knock In, Knock Out Animals---breeding, cross breeding or any use of live animals or tissues	IBC	NA	
Human tissues, cells, body fluids, cell lines	IBC	NA	
Viral/Plasmid Vectors/Recombinant DNA or recombinant techniques	IBC	approved 11/2009	yes
Oncogenic/toxic/mutagenic chemical agents	EH&S	NA	
Nanoparticles	EH&S	NA	

Cell lines, tissues or other biological products injected or implanted in animals	DCM	NA	
Other agents		NA	

2. Incidental hazards

Will personnel be exposed to any incidental zoonotic diseases or hazards during the study (field studies, primate work, etc)? If so, please identify each and explain steps taken to mitigate risk:

Bacteroides fragilis is a normal gut flora bacterium. This is not a contagious agent and is classified at BSL-1. The only chance of infection is from direct injection of the organism and even in that case during my 30+ years of working with these organisms I do not know of any case of laboratory acquired infection. However, since these organisms have been genetically modified, the experiments will be conducted under ABSL-2 conditions to minimize chances of contamination. A Biological Safety Registration has been approved for this work.

III. Animals and Housing

A. Species and strains:

Sprague Dawley outbred rats.

B. Weight, sex and/or age:

>350g/11-13 weeks old male.

C. Animal numbers:

1. Please complete the following table:

Total number of animals in treatment and control groups	Additional animals (Breeders, substitute animals)	Total number of animals used for this project
198	+ 2	=200

2. Justify the species and number (use statistical justification when possible) of animals requested:

The species chosen for these experiments is the adult Sprague Dawley rat. The use of these animals is appropriate for the tissue cage "pig-pong-tennis ball" model of intra-abdominal abscess infection because of their size and historical use of rats in intra-abdominal infection studies. In addition, this model will allow us to obtain multiple sampling of intra-abdominal exudates without the need to sacrifice the animal in each time point. This procedure will reduce the number of animals to be used in this study. There is

no alternative in vitro model to study abscess formation or response to an abscess inducing organism such *B. fragilis* because no in vitro system has been able to duplicate the complex mammalian immune response. Also, this model has been used previously with a different species of bacteria (Bamberger et al. 2002, Antimicrob. Agents Chemother, 46:2878-2884).

There are two factors that must be considered to determine the number of animals needed for the study. The first factor is that we have a maximum of 8 candidate genes that we propose to test as virulence factors. For each candidate gene we will construct the corresponding mutant strain thus we will need to have 8 independent trials (including both competition assays and monoculture assay). In addition each trial will be composed of two identical experiments in order to demonstrate that the results are repeatable. The second factor is that we must determine the lowest number of animals needed in each experiment that can provide statistical significance for our results. Based on previous work with this model by Dr. Rocha and myself (see AUP #K146 and # K155) we can estimate the number of wild-type or mutant bacteria found per ml of fluid in the artificial abscess and use these numbers in power calculations to determine the sample size needed for statistical significance in each experiment. For these calculations we will be using a study design based on use of the unpaired t-test on group means. We have set $P = .01$ and power probability = 0.9. The bacterial numbers from previous work used for this analysis are:

wild type strain: 3.28×10^9 (SD 2.07×10^9) mutant strain: 6.43×10^7 (SD 3.56×10^7). Based on these numbers we have calculated that statistical significance can be achieved using groups of 5 animals and we do not see any difference in using the competition or monoculture approaches. In experimental design section (section IV.A) we present a table for the total number of animals to be used based on groups of 5 animals per experiment. Briefly, we propose to study 8 different mutants so that is 10 animals per mutant in monoculture experiments and 10 animals per mutant in competition assay experiment plus one uninoculated control per mutant for a total of 178 animals. The remaining animals are accounted for by the need to run two trials of monoculture experiments with the wild type parent strain to obtain gene expression data to use as baseline for when we perform the competition assays (20 animals).

3. Justify the number and use of any additional animals needed for this study:

a. For unforeseen outcomes/complications:

two additional animals should be ordered if there are any unexpected deaths that lead to invalid statistics.

b. For refining techniques:

n/a

c. For breeding situations, briefly justify breeding configurations and offspring expected:

n/a

d. Indicate if following IACUC tail snip guidelines: Choose an item.

(if no, describe and justify)

Click here to enter text.

4. Will the phenotype of mutant, transgenic or knockout animals predispose them to any health, behavioral, physical abnormalities, or cause debilitating effects in experimental manipulations? No (if yes, describe)

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5. Are there any deviations from standard husbandry practices?

Yes If yes, then describe conditions and justify the exceptions to standard housing (temperature, light cycles, sterile cages, special feed, prolonged weaning times, wire-bottom cages, etc.):

Animals will be housed individually on soft bedding. Tubes are not allowed due to surgery so alternative enrichments such as softer bedding, crinkle nesting will be provided.

6. Is it necessary for animals to be singly housed?

No (If yes, describe housing and justify the need to singly house social species)

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7. Are there experimental or scientific reasons why routine environmental enrichment should not be provided? No

(If yes, describe and justify the need to withhold enrichment)

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8. If wild animals will be captured or used, provide permissions (collection permit # or other required information):

NA

9. List all laboratories or locations outside the animal facility where animals will be used. Note that animals may not stay in areas outside the animal facilities for more than 12 hours without prior IACUC approval. For field studies, list location of work/study site.

none

IV. Animal Procedures

A. Outline the Experimental Design including all treatment and control groups and the number of animals in each. Tables or flow charts are particularly useful to communicate your design.

The objective is to determine if various mutant strains lacking various oxidative stress resistance genes can survive as well in the abscess as the wild type parent strain. We also need to

determine the overall gene expression patterns of the bacteria in the abscess and if the oxidative stress gene mutations modulate these patterns. For this work we have a bank of 8 mutant strains or proposed mutant strains that lack a variety of genes known to be important for in vitro resistance to oxidative stress. We now will test the role of these genes in vivo using the rat model. Briefly we will implant a sterile tissue cage into the peritoneal cavity of the rat. Then allow the animals to recover for 3-4 weeks to allow for encapsulation to occur according to Bamberger et al. 2002 (Antimicrob. Agents Chemother, 46:2878-2884). Next five rats will be inoculated with about 1,000,000 c.f.u./ml *B. fragilis* wild type strain in monoculture (Control) by injection into the implanted tissue cage. Samples will be aspirated from infected cages at 2, 4, 8, and 15 days post-infection. These control experiments will be repeated four times over the course of the entire project. For each mutant strain five rats will be used in monoculture experiments to determine survival and gene expression patterns. Also for each mutant strain 5 animals will be used in competition experiments in which mutant and wild-type strain are co-cultured in the tissue cage in order to determine if the mutant has a defect relative to the parent. The idea here is that, in the absence of competition, differences in growth rate and final population level may not be great enough to distinguish at a statistically significant level except in the case of very major defects. The competition assay is a tried and true method in bacterial pathogenesis studies. These experiments with the mutant will be repeated once. One uninoculated control will be used for each mutant strain and 2 for the wild type parent strain. Two animals may be needed to protect against adverse outcomes due to unforeseen complications (See Table Below).

Bacterial Strain/treatment	Animals per group	# experiments	# trials	total # animals
Wild-type monoculture	5	2	2	20
Mutant monoculture	5	2	8	80
Competition assay	5	2	8	80
Added for unforeseen complications	1	2	1	2
Uninoculated control	1	1	18	18
Totals				200

In sections IV.B-IV.S below, please respond to all items relating to your proposed animal procedures. If a section does not apply to your experimental plans, please leave it blank.

Please refer to DCM and IACUC websites for relevant guidelines and SOPs.

B. Anesthesia/Analgesia/Tranquilization/Pain/Distress Management For Procedures Other than Surgery:

Adequate records describing anesthetic monitoring and recovery must be maintained for all species.

If anesthesia/analgesia must be withheld for scientific reasons, please provide compelling scientific justification as to why this is necessary:

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1. Describe the pre-procedural preparation of the animals:

a. Food restricted for Not needed hours

b. Food restriction is not recommended for rodents and rabbits and must be justified:

n/a

c. Water restricted for not needed hours

d. Water restriction is not recommended in any species for routine pre-op prep and must be justified:

n/a

2. Anesthesia/Analgesia for Procedures Other than Surgery

	Agent	Concentration	Dose (mg/kg)	Max Volume	Route	Frequency	Number of days administered
Pre-procedure analgesic							
Pre-anesthetic							
Anesthetic	isoflurane	2-4%			inhalation	6	<5 min
Post procedure analgesic							
Other							

3. Reason for administering agent(s):

To sedate rats for injection and aspiration.

4. For which procedure(s):

Sample injection into and aspiration from the implanted ping pong ball. In all cases aseptic technique will be used for these procedures. The skin is prepped prior to insertion of the needle by swabbing with alcohol.

5. Methods for monitoring anesthetic depth:

Foot withdraw

6. Methods of physiologic support during anesthesia and recovery:

n/a

7. Duration of recovery:

< 5 min

8. Frequency of recovering monitoring:

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9. Specifically what will be monitored?

respiration and mobility

10. When will animals be returned to their home environment?

when they are conscious and mobile

11. Describe any behavioral or husbandry manipulations that will be used to alleviate pain, distress, and/or discomfort:

Animals typically do not exhibit distress or discomfort following procedure

C. Use of Paralytics

1. Will paralyzing drugs be used? NO

2. For what purpose:

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3. Please provide scientific justification for paralytic use:

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4. Paralytic drug:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

5. Dose:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

6. Method of ensuring appropriate analgesia during paralysis:

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D. Blood or Body Fluid Collection

1. Please fill out appropriate sections of the chart below:

	Location on animal	Needle/catheter size	Volume collected	Frequency of procedure	Time interval between collections
Blood Collection					
	Intra-abdominal from within the tissue cage	25-20 g	0.5-2 ml	once per sampling period	2, 4, 8, 15 days post infection
Body Fluid Collection					
Other					

E. Injections, Gavage, & Other Substance Administration

1. Please fill out appropriate sections of the chart below:

	Compound	Location & Route of admin	Needle/catheter/gavage size	Max volume admin	Freq of admin (ie two times per day)	Number of days admin (ie for 5 days)	Max dosages (mg/kg)
Injection/ Infusion	Live Bacteroides fragilis. 4 ml at 10^6 to 10^8 cells/ml	Intra-abdominal injection into the tissue cage	25-20 g	4 ml	once to initiate the experiment	n/a	n/a
Gavage							
Other							

2. For all injections and infusions, PHARMACEUTICAL GRADE compounds should be used. If not available, refer to IACUC Guidelines for non-pharmaceutical grade compound use and provide required information below:

n/a

E. Prolonged restraint with mechanical devices

Prolonged restraint in this context means *beyond routine care and use procedures* for rodent and rabbit restrainers, and large animal stocks.

Prolonged restraint also includes *any* use of slings, tethers, metabolic crates, inhalation chambers, primate chairs and radiation exposure restraint devices.

1. For what procedure(s):

n/a

2. Explain why non-restraint alternatives cannot be utilized:

n/a

3. Restraint device(s):

n/a

4. Duration of restraint:

n/a

5. Frequency of observations during restraint/person responsible:

n/a

6. Frequency and total number of restraints:

n/a

7. Conditioning procedures:

n/a

8. Steps to assure comfort and well-being:

n/a

9. Describe potential adverse effects of prolonged restraint and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

G. Tumor Studies, Disease Models, Toxicity Testing, Vaccine Studies, Trauma Studies, Pain Studies, Organ or System Failure Studies, Shock Models, etc.

1. Describe methodology:

The wild type and mutant bacteria will be injected into the sterile, artificial abscess and their ability to survive in the abscess will be determined. Samples will be taken on days 2,4,8, and 15 by aspiration using a sterile syringe and then plated on bacteriological growth media to determine the viable cell count. Some material also will be used for the extraction of RNA to be used in gene expression studies to determine which genes are expressed by the bacteria during the course of "infection".

2. Expected model and/or clinical/pathological manifestations:

It is expected that wild type bacteria will survive at a higher rate than mutant bacteria in the artificial abscess in the co-culture competition assays and we expect to see more rapid

clearing of the mutant strains in the monoculture assays. We do not expect any obvious tissue pathology.

3. Signs of pain/discomfort:

We have had several years of experience with this model and during this time seven animals became "sick" and displayed a hunched posture, depressed attitude and loss of appetite. These animals were provided analgesics but eventually had to be euthanized. This is a rare occurrence.

4. Frequency of observations:

daily

5. Describe potential adverse side effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

If animals show signs of peritonitis, hunched posture, depressed attitude and loss of appetite, as described above we will first try to treat with analgesics but if no change after a day they will be euthanized.

H. Treadmills/Swimming/Forced Exercise

1. Describe aversive stimulus (if used):

n/a

2. Conditioning:

n/a

3. Safeguards to protect animal:

n/a

4. Duration:

n/a

5. Frequency:

n/a

6. Total number of sessions:

n/a

7. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

I. Projects Involving Food and Water Regulation or Dietary Manipulation

(Routine pre-surgical fasting not relevant for this section)

1. Food Regulation

a. Amount regulated and rationale:

n/a

b. Frequency and duration of regulation (hours for short term/weeks or months for long term):

n/a

c. Frequency of observation/parameters documented (i.e. recording body weight, body condition, etc.):

n/a

d. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

2. Fluid Regulation

a. Amount regulated and rationale:

n/a

b. Frequency and duration of regulation (hours for short term/weeks or months for long term):

n/a

c. Frequency of observation/parameters documented (body weight, hydration status, etc.):

n/a

d. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

3. Dietary Manipulations

a. Compound supplemented/deleted and amount:

n/a

b. Frequency and duration (hours for short term/week or month for long term):

n/a

c. Frequency of observation/parameters documented:

n/a

d. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

J. Endoscopy, Fluoroscopy, X-Ray, Ultrasound, MRI, CT, PET, Other Imaging

1. Describe animal methodology:

n/a

2. Duration of procedure:

n/a

3. Frequency of observations during procedure:

n/a

4. Frequency/total number of procedures:

n/a

5. Method of transport to/from procedure area:

n/a

6. Describe potential adverse side effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

7. Please provide or attach appropriate permissions/procedures for animal use on human equipment:

n/a

K. Polyclonal Antibody Production

1. Antigen/adjuvant used and justification for adjuvant choice:

n/a

2. Needle size:

n/a

3. Route of injection:

n/a

4. Site of injection:

n/a

5. Volume of injection:

n/a

6. Total number of injection sites:

n/a

7. Frequency and total number of boosts:

n/a

8. What will be done to minimize pain/distress:

n/a

9. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

L. Monoclonal Antibody Production

1. Describe methodology:

n/a

2. Is pristane used: No

Volume of pristane:

n/a

3. Will ascites be generated: No

i. Criteria/signs that will dictate ascites harvest:

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ii. Size of needle for taps:

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iii. Total number of taps:

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iv. How will animals be monitored/cared for following taps:

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4. What will be done to minimize pain/distress:

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5. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

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M. Temperature/Light/Environmental Manipulations

1. Describe manipulation(s):

n/a

2. Duration:

n/a

3. Intensity:

n/a

4. Frequency:

n/a

5. Frequency of observations/parameters documented:

n/a

6. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

N. Behavioral Studies

1. Describe methodology/test(s) used:

n/a

2. Will conditioning occur? If so, describe:

n/a

3. If aversive stimulus used, frequency, intensity and duration:

n/a

4. Length of time in test apparatus/test situation: (*i.e., each test is ~10 mins*)

n/a

5. Frequency of testing and duration of study: (*i.e., 5 tests/week for 6 months*)

n/a

6. Frequency of observation/monitoring during test:

n/a

7. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

O. Capture with Mechanical Devices/Traps/Nets

1. Description of capture device/method:

n/a

2. Maximum time animal will be in capture device:

n/a

3. Frequency of checking capture device:

n/a

4. Methods to ensure well-being of animals in capture device:

n/a

5. Methods to avoid non-target species capture:

n/a

6. Method of transport to laboratory/field station/processing site and duration of transport:

n/a

7. Methods to ensure animal well-being during transport:

n/a

8. Expected mortality rates:

n/a

9. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

P. Manipulation of Wild-Caught Animals in the Field or Laboratory

1. Parameters to be measured/collected:

n/a

2. Approximate time required for data collection per animal:

n/a

3. Method of restraint for data collection:

n/a

4. Methods to ensure animal well-being during processing:

n/a

5. Disposition of animals post-processing:

n/a

6. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

n/a

Q. Wildlife Telemetry/Other Marking Methods

1. Describe methodology (including description of device):
n/a
2. Will telemetry device/tags/etc be removed? n/a If so, describe:
n/a
3. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):
n/a

R. Other Animal Manipulations

1. Describe methodology:
n/a
2. Describe methods to ensure animal comfort and well-being:
n/a
3. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):
n/a

S. Surgical Procedures

All survival surgical procedures must be done aseptically, regardless of species or location of surgery. Adequate records describing surgical procedures, anesthetic monitoring and postoperative care must be maintained for all species.

1. Location of Surgery (Building & Room #):
ECU/SOM Animal care facility operating room

2. Type of Surgery (check all that are appropriate):

☐ Non-survival surgery (animals euthanized without regaining consciousness)

☒ Major survival surgery (major surgery penetrates and exposes a body cavity or produces substantial impairment of physical or physiologic function)

☐ Minor survival surgery

☐ Multiple survival surgery

If yes, provide scientific justification for multiple survival surgical procedures:

n/a

3. Describe the pre-op preparation of the animals:

a. Food restricted for 0 hours

b. Food restricted is not recommended for rodents and rabbits and must be justified:

n/a

c. Water restricted for 0 hours

d. Water restriction is not recommended in any species for routine pre-op prep and be justified:

n/a

4. Minimal sterile techniques will include (check all that apply):

Please refer to DCM Guidelines for Aseptic Surgery for specific information on what is required for each species and type of surgery (survival vs. non-survival).

☒ Sterile instruments

How will instruments be sterilized?

Ethylene oxide for ping pong balls, autoclave for instruments

If serial surgeries are done, how will instruments be sterilized between surgeries:

Instruments will be sterilized by autoclave. For serial surgery, instruments will be sterilized by dry hot beads sterilizer.

- x ☐ Sterile gloves
- x ☐ Mask
- x ☐ Cap
- ☐ Sterile gown
- x ☐ Sanitized operating area
- x ☐ Clipping or plucking of hair or feathers
- x ☐ Skin preparation with a sterilant such as betadine
- x ☐ Practices to maintain sterility of instruments during surgery
- x ☐ Non-survival (clean gloves, clean instruments, etc.)

5. Describe all surgical procedures:

a. Skin incision size and site on the animal:

An abdominal incision of about 3 cm

b. Describe surgery in detail (include size of implant if applicable):

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c. Method of wound closure:

The rats will be given pre-emptive analgesia Buprenex prior to the procedure and then anesthetized with gas (isoflurane) anesthesia. Ketamine and xylazine (9:1) may be substituted for gas if instructed by veterinarian. Aseptic technique (sterile instruments, surgical gloves, masks and surgical prep) will be used. An abdominal incision of about 3 cm will be performed and a single sterile table-tennis ball with 300 1.5 mm-diameter holes will be implanted in the peritoneal cavity by sterile techniques, abdominal closure with at least two layers, 3-0 absorbable followed by 3-0 nylon skin. Animal will receive buprenex at 0.1mls/100 grams bw (0.03mg/ml conc) or an NSAID carprofen or meloxicam for post-op analgesia and every 8-12 hours post as determined by DCM veterinarian. Animal will be allowed to recover, for 5 weeks to allow for encapsulation to occur according to Bamberger et al. 2002 (Antimicrob. Agents Chemother, 46:2878-2884). Rats will be housed under standard laboratory housing conditions and receive food and drink at libitum and support care for anesthetized rodents at the animal housing facility of the Department of Comparative Medicine, East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina. The rats will be inoculated with about 108 c.f.u./ml *B. fragilis* strains into the implanted ball tissue cage. Samples will be aspirated from infected cages at 2, 4, 8, and 15 or 21 days post-infection.

i. Number of layers

Abdominal closure with at least two layers

ii. Type of wound closure and suture pattern:

Interrupted, 3-0 absorbable, and 3-0 nylon

iii. Suture type/size/wound clips/tissue glue:

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iv. Plan for removing of skin sutures/wound clip/etc:

Skin sutures removed after 7 – 10 days

6. Anesthetic Protocol:

- a. If anesthesia/analgesia must be withheld for scientific reasons, please provide compelling scientific justification as to why this is necessary:

n/a

b. Anesthesia/Analgesia For Surgical Procedures

	Agent	Dose (mg/kg or %)	Volume	Route	Frequency	Number of days administered
Pre-operative analgesic	Buprenex	0.1 ml/100 g BW	1 ml depending on BW	SC	once	prior to anesthesia
Pre-anesthetic						
Anesthetic	isoflurane	2-4%		inhalation	once	6 times; at insertion of tissue cage, inoculation day, sample days 2, 4, 8, 15
Post-operative Analgesic	Buprenex	0.1 mg/100g BW	1 ml depending on BW	SC	once but more in indicated	8-12 h
Other	Alternative Anesthetic - Alternative-ketamine plus xylazine (9:1)	0.1 ml/100g BW of Ketamine (90mg/ml) + Xylazine (10mg/ml)	1 ml depending on BW	lp	once	30-60 min
	Alternative Analgesic – meloxica	1.5 mg/kg	1 ml depending on BW	PO	SID, PRN	24 hr

c. Methods that will be used to monitor anesthetic depth (include extra measures employed when paralyzing agents are used):

Standard procedures for anesthetic monitoring, surgical plane of anesthesia. Animals will be adequately anesthetized prior to initiation of surgery and then maintained in a surgical plane throughout procedure the will be done by monitoring toe pinch and pedal reflexes to ensure adequate depth. Pulse oximetry will monitor HR and O2 saturation. Respiration Rate will be monitored by watching thoracic cavity as well.

d. Methods of physiologic support during anesthesia and immediate post-op period (fluids, warming, etc.):

On pad to conserve body heat (surgery takes about 20 min per rat). If needed warm 0.9% NaCl will be administered SQ (3-7mL) along with soft and caloric dense food being accessible on the cage floor.

e. List what parameters are monitored during immediate post-op period.

Provide the frequency and duration:

Following surgery procedures in the "tissue cage model of infection", animals will be examined for distress and pain on an hourly basis for 4 hours on the day of surgery. The animals will be kept warm, given fluid and nutritional supplementation as required until recovery.

f. Describe any other manipulations that will be used to alleviate pain, distress, and/or discomfort during the immediate post-op period (soft bedding, long sipper tubes, food on floor, dough diet, etc.):

If necessary, food will be placed on cage bottom, and gel packs used for water (usually not required) will be provided.

g. List criteria used to determine when animals are adequately recovered from anesthesia and when the animals can be returned to their home environment:

monitor continuously until mobile and alert.

7. Recovery from Surgical Manipulations (after animal regains consciousness and is returned to its home environment)

a. What parameters (behavior, appetite, mobility, wound healing, etc.) will be monitored:

Animals will be assessed for hunched posture, depressed attitude, off feed. Animals also will be monitored for overt clinical signs of illness (distress, sick, scruffy appearance, immobile, anorectic, moribund).

b. How frequently (times per day) will animals be monitored:

once

c. How long post-operatively (days) will animals be monitored:

Animals will be monitored for eating, drinking, defecating, behavior and appearance (body condition scoring) for 4 hours post operatively that day until normal signs appear. Then daily for about 4 weeks until encapsulation of the implanted tissue cage.

8. Surgical Manipulations Affecting Animals

a. Describe any signs of pain/discomfort/functional deficits resulting from the surgical procedure:

Hunched posture, depressed attitude, off feed, distress, sick-looking, scruffy appearance, immobile, anorectic, moribund.

- b. What will be done to manage any signs of pain or discomfort (include pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic interventions):

Analgesic will be provided as described above in analgesia/anesthesia table.

- c. Describe potential adverse effects of procedures and provide humane endpoints (criteria for either humanely euthanizing or otherwise removing from study):

Abscesses are a self-contained "walled" off infectious process. Nonetheless, intra-abdominal abscesses can eventually rupture and release its purulent pus contents into the peritoneal cavity. This may lead to a disseminated systemic infection. No antibiotic can be administered since these will interfere with experimental infections. Thus, any animal showing clinical signs of illness (distress, sick, scruffy appearance, immobile, anorectic, moribund) will be euthanized prior to the end of the experiment. We have done this procedure on more than 75 rats and have lost six to sepsis and one to an unknown cause (likely intestinal strangulation).

V. Euthanasia

Please refer to the AVMA Guidelines on Euthanasia and DCM Guidelines to determine appropriate euthanasia methods.

- A. Euthanasia Procedure. *All investigators, even those conducting non-terminal studies, must complete this section in case euthanasia is required for humane reasons.*

1. Physical Method- If a physical method is used, the animal should be first sedated/anesthetized with CO₂ or other anesthetic agent. If prior sedation is not possible, a scientific justification must be provided:

n/a

2. Inhalant Method- Carbon Dioxide
(if other, describe the agent and delivery method)

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3. Non-Inhalant Pharmaceutical Method (injectables, MS-222, etc.)-
Please provide the following:

a. Agent:

n/a

b. Dose or concentration:

n/a

c. Route:

n/a

B. Method of ensuring death (can be physical method, such as pneumothorax or decapitation for small species and assessment method such as auscultation for large animals):

check for signs of breathing and open the thoracic cavity

C. Describe disposition of carcass following euthanasia:

Each animal is placed in a disposal plastic bag and every three bags are wrapped up in another bag. Then all carcasses are put in a biohazard red bag, closed and they are put in the cold room container available at the animal house facility for disposal of carcasses.

I acknowledge that humane care and use of animals in research, teaching and testing is of paramount importance, and agree to conduct animal studies with professionalism, using ethical principles of sound animal stewardship. I further acknowledge that I will perform only those procedures that are described in this AUP and that my use of animals must conform to the standards described in the Animal Welfare Act, the Public Health Service Policy, The Guide For the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, the Association for the Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care, and East Carolina University.

Please submit the completed animal use protocol form via e-mail attachment to iacuc@ecu.edu. You must also carbon copy your Department Chair.

PI Signature: C. Kelly Smit ^{email} Date: 10/5/12
~~10/4/2012~~

Veterinarian: [Signature] Date: 10/9/12
~~10/9/12~~

IACUC Chair: S. B. McKee ^{jd} Date: 10/9/12
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APPENDIX 1-HAZARDOUS AGENTS			
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Chemical Agents used: N/A		Radioisotopes used: N/A	
Biohazardous Agents used: Bacteroides fragilis	Animal Biosafety Level: ABSL2 based on use of recombinant DNA	Infectious to humans? Probably if large numbers are directly injected into the blood stream.	
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:			
Route of Excretion: There is no excretion of the organisms since they are confined to the artificial abscess			
Precautions for Handling Live or Dead Animals: No special precautions needed. Lab coats, eye protection, and gloves will be worn during injection of animals and sampling procedures. Bacteria closely related to B. fragilis are present in all rodent feces. .			
Animal Disposal: incinerate			
Bedding/Waste Disposal: normal procedures			
Cage Decontamination: normal procedures			
Additional Precautions to Protect Personnel, Adjacent Research Projects including Animals and the Environment: B. fragilis is a BSL-1 organism but due to the fact that we have genetically manipulated the organisms the experiments are elevated to ABSL-2 but risk of infection is minimal. Thus there are no special "Additional" precautions needed. Organisms closely related to B. fragilis are found in the feces of all rodents.			
Initial Approval Safety/Subject Matter Expert Signature & Date			



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TO: Dr. C. Jeffrey Smith
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FROM: *EDJ*
Eddie Johnson/John Williams
Biological Safety Officers

RE: Registration Approval

Date: December 10, 2009

Your Biological Safety Protocol J Smith, 09-01 "*Role of B. fragilis Oxygen Stress Response in Infection*" to use genetically modified micro organisms has received **approval** to be conducted under BSL-1 and ABSL-2 based on your registration submitted. This registration was approved by the ECU Biological Safety Committee with Dr. Greg Smith as acting chair.

This approval is effective for a period of 3 years and may be renewed with an updated registration if needed. Please notify the Animal Care staff before or if you begin work with Biohazard agents in animals. Also please keep in mind all individuals who will be exposed to or handle biohazardous agents in your work will be due for Blood Borne Pathogens refresher training annually.

Please do not hesitate to contact Biological Safety at 744-2070 if you have any questions, concerns, or need any additional information. Best wishes on your research.

cc: Dr. C. Jeffrey Smith, Chair, Biosafety Committee
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